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8 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SUTTER
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10	PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,)	NO: CRF-13-0269
11	Plaintiff,)	
12	- vs -)	REQUEST FOR DISMISSAL
13	MICHAEL PATRICK ALEXANDER,)	AND ORDER
14	Defendant.)	
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16 The People move to dismiss this action in the furtherance
17 of justice as sufficient evidence does not exist such that a
18 jury will find beyond a reasonable doubt that Michael Patrick
19 Alexander murdered Leola Shreves on or about January 18, 2013.
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21 On the morning of January 23, 2013, Leola Shreves was found
22 murdered in her Yuba City home. In the days that followed,
23 detectives from the Yuba City Police Department and criminalists
24 from the California Department of Justice examined the crime
25 scene and collected blood, hair, shoe impressions and other
26 physical evidence.
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1 Michael Patrick Alexander, who lived next door to Mrs.
2 Shreves, was identified early in the investigation as a possible
3 suspect. On the evening of January 25, 2013, Alexander
4 voluntarily accompanied detectives to the Yuba City Police
5 Department, where he eventually told the investigators that he
6 had killed Mrs. Shreves.
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8 Samples of the blood and physical evidence collected from
9 the murder scene were analyzed in 2013 and Alexander was
10 excluded by DNA analysis as the source.

11 The Sutter County District Attorney's Office, Yuba City
12 Police Department and Bureau of Forensic Services for the
13 California Department of Justice have conducted a significant
14 follow-up investigation over the last three years to solve the
15 mysteries presented by the contradictions between the physical
16 evidence and Alexander's admissions.. The investigation explored
17 the possibility of an accomplice and the possibility of a false
18 confession. The investigation included interviews with
19 Alexander's acquaintances, family and cell mates, monitoring of
20 Alexander's communications, a wire-tap, further testing of the
21 physical evidence in forensic labs in Sacramento, Chico, Redding
22 and Richmond, expert blood spatter analysis, and dozens and
23 dozens of hours consulting with DNA experts and reviewing
24 Alexander's video-taped admissions.
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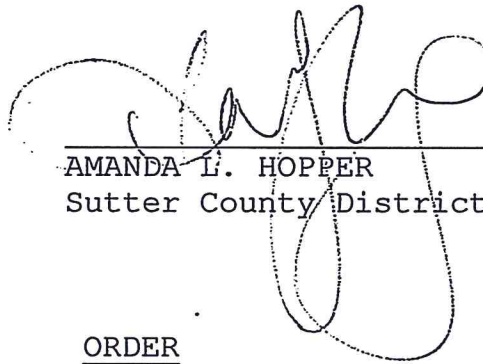
27 Through that investigation, Alexander has been excluded as
28 the source of every bit of DNA or other physical evidence

1 collected from the crime scene. The evidence is insufficient
2 for a jury to find beyond a reasonable doubt that Alexander is
3 guilty of murdering Leola Shreves.

4 Therefore, the People move the Court to dismiss the charges
5 against MICHAEL PATRICK ALEXANDER in the above entitled case.
6 This dismissal is without prejudice as the Sutter County
7 District Attorney and allied agencies will continue to
8 investigate this murder until the perpetrator or perpetrators
9 have been brought to justice.
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11 Dated: August 19, 2016.

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ORDER

For the reasons herein above stated, and in the interest of
justice, the within action is dismissed and warrant ordered
recalled.

Dated: _____, 2016.

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT