

# OFFICE OF COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEY

## CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE

### MEMORANDUM

**To:** For Public Release

**From:** Dave Chapman *WAC*  
Commonwealth Attorney  
City of Charlottesville

**Re:** Commonwealth v. Jesse Leroy Matthew, Jr.  
Charlottesville General District Court  
Case No. GC14007327

**Date:** February 10, 2015

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Having verified that Jesse Leroy Matthew, Jr. has been charged in Albemarle County with the offense of abduction with the intent to defile as a result of events that allegedly occurred on September 13, 2014 in connection with the disappearance and death of Hannah Graham, the prosecution of him in the City of Charlottesville for that offense is duplicative and likely to become barred by the Double Jeopardy Clause of the Fifth Amendment. As a result, the Commonwealth has filed with the Charlottesville General District Court a request for the entry of an order of *nolle prosequi* in Mr. Matthew's pending case in the City.

Dave Chapman  
Commonwealth Attorney  
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