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Re: People v. Scott Lee Peterson

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People's Compliance with the Court's Second

Post-Conviction Discovery Order

Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Jeff Laugero announced today that the People have complied with the San Mateo Superior Court's Post-Conviction Discovery Order issued in the case of the People v. Scott Lee Peterson #SC055500A.

In his second Post-Conviction Discovery Motion, filed on January 21, 2024, Scott Peterson made over 645 demands for various items of post-conviction discovery. On October 7, 2024, the Honorable Elizabeth M. Hill ordered approximately 45 items, some duplicative, to be discovered or rediscovered. The court denied the remainder of defendant Peterson's requests. As indicated in the Order, several of the 45 items were replacements for items the defense has lost over the years but were possessed by the defendant's original trial attorneys.

The court noted that, for the People to comply with its Order, the requested materials must actually exist and currently be in the possession of the prosecution/law enforcement authorities. The prosecution and the law enforcement agencies who assisted in the prosecution of the case have searched their voluminous files. The People located 13 items in response to the approximately 45 items ordered by the court. These 13 items have been (re)discovered or replacement copies have been made and provided to the defense. Please refer to the hyperlink for the People's Brief re: Compliance with Court's PC §1054.9 Order for further details.

PDF - Filed copy of People's Brief re: Compliance With Court's PC §1054.9 Order

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