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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that the California State University, Stanislaus (CSUS) Police Department requested the assistance of the Stanislaus County District Attorney's Office in April 2010 with an investigation into a complaint that documents had been illegally taken from the office of Susana Gajic-Bruyea, the Vice President for University Advancement and the Executive Officer of the Stanislaus Foundation Board. The request was made to eliminate any allegations or concerns of a potential conflict of interest on the part of the CSUS Police Department in light of prior allegations that staff had inappropriately disposed of the documents in question.

The District Attorney's Office determined that the CSUS Police Department investigator conducted a very thorough initial investigation. An investigator for the DA's Office then re-interviewed persons involved in the incident and contacted and interviewed other potential witnesses. He also conducted a security analysis of the building in question and conducted a search for evidence in the case. The two students who reported this incident to Senator Yee declined to be interviewed and those rights were respected.

After a thorough examination of the facts of the case, there is no evidence to suggest that CSUS staff purposely tried to dispose of the documents. In addition, it could not be determined if a crime had actually been committed or who might have committed it.