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Honorable Kimberly M. Foxx
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Cook County State's Attorney's Office
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THOMAS D. ARADO
THIRD DISTRICT

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RE: Blue Island Police Department Officer Involved Shooting of William W. Burruss

PATRICK D. DALY
FIFTH DISTRICT

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Dear State's Attorney Foxx:

FIRST DISTRICT:

KIMBERLY M. FOXX
STATE'S ATTORNEY
COOK COUNTY

Pursuant to your request, this Agency has thoroughly reviewed the evidence provided to us by your office in the above matter.

SECOND DISTRICT:

PATRICK D. KENNEALLY
STATE'S ATTORNEY
McHENRY COUNTY

Our goal was to address whether the fatal shooting of William W. Burruss on June 1, 2023, by Blue Island Police Officer Bryan Holwell #143, warranted the filing of criminal charges, and whether the evidence was sufficient to overrule the declination of charges previously submitted by the Cook County State's Attorney's Office on or about March 27, 2024, and formally closed on April 3, 2024.

ERIC WEIS

STATE'S ATTORNEY
KENDALL COUNTY

THIRD DISTRICT:

ROBERT BERLIN
STATE'S ATTORNEY
DuPAGE COUNTY

Based upon a comprehensive and independent evaluation of the information provided, we find that the decision by the Cook County State's Attorney's Office to decline prosecution is consistent with the evidence. This finding is strictly limited to the conclusion as to criminal charges and makes no determination regarding the existence of any administrative violations or the potentiality of civil liability.

JOSEPH R. NAVARRO
STATE'S ATTORNEY
LaSALLE COUNTY

FOURTH DISTRICT:

BEN GOETTEN
STATE'S ATTORNEY
JERSEY COUNTY

We are returning all material sent by your Office directly to Lynn McCarthy, LEAD Supervisor, 2650 South California – Room 13 B 40, Chicago, IL, 60608.

J. HANLEY

STATE'S ATTORNEY
WINNEBAGO COUNTY

Please let me know whenever we can be of assistance.

Very truly yours,

Patrick J. Delfino
Director

GRAY HERNDON NOLL
STATE'S ATTORNEY
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