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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

**In re: Trooper Darren Kennedy, Formerly of Vermont State Police**

Dear Counsel:

It has come to my attention that Trooper Darren Kennedy, formerly of the Vermont State Police – Middlesex Barracks, was the subject of an internal affairs investigation.

In reviewing 19VSPIA-0070, I concluded that there is credible evidence that Trooper Kennedy was untruthful during the course of an internal affairs investigation into whether he was in a duty status and claiming pay when he transported a personal acquaintance in his marked police cruiser. Trooper Kennedy's conduct appears to be in violation of VSP General Orders 202, Part A, Section 14.0 (Truthfulness). He resigned from the Vermont State Police, effective January 19, 2020.

Although there is no evidence to suggest that Trooper Kennedy's reports filed in your client's cases are not accurate this information is disclosed consistent with the State's Constitutional and ethical requirements, including V.R.Cr.P. 16(a)(2)(G) and (b)(2) to ensure awareness of this matter for purposes of discovery planning and disposition of pending cases where Trooper Kennedy was the investigating officer. Thank you.

Very Respectfully,

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