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PRESS RELEASE

On May 24, 2023, the Coos County Grand Jury returned a secret indictment charging Reina Gabriela Jackson, aka Reina Gabriela Matute-Ruano, with one count of Murder in the Second Degree and two counts of Conspiracy to Commit Murder in the Second Degree. The charges pertain to the homicidal death of Dr. Craig Jackson which occurred on August 2, 2021. A nationwide warrant for Reina Jackson's arrest was issued shortly thereafter. This office had asked for the assistance of the United States Marshall Service and the US Attorney's Office in locating and arresting Reina Jackson as it was believed she was currently residing in her home nation of Guatemala. Reina Jackson is the ex-wife of Dr. Jackson.

This indictment was the culmination of an investigation lasting almost two years. The North Bend Police Department is the lead agency and was assisted by the Oregon State Police, Coos Bay Police Department, the Coos County Sheriff's Office, Coquille Police Department, Bandon Police Department, the Myrtle Point Police Department, the Oregon State Police Forensic Laboratory System, the Coos County and State of Oregon Medical Examiner's Offices and the Coos County District Attorney's Office.

I was informed in the evening of June 14, 2023, that Reina Jackson was arrested by the US Marshall Service in Atlanta, Georgia earlier that evening. Apparently, Ms. Jackson, unaware of the arrest warrant, had decided to return to the United States for some reason and was arrested when she entered the country on June 14, 2023.

Reina Jackson was also arrested on a Coos County Circuit Court warrant based on allegations that she had violated the terms of her probation on a previous Burglary in the First-Degree conviction where it is alleged she violated her probation by absconding from supervision. That warrant had been outstanding since the later part of 2021.

It is my understanding that Reina Jackson has been lodged in a jail facility in Atlanta, Georgia. I anticipate she will be making a court appearance in Atlanta in the near future to begin the extradition process to bring her back to Coos County. Depending on whether Reina Jackson decides to contest our extradition request, this process can last for several weeks or months.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R. Paul Frasier', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

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