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**FOIA Coordinator**

Delta County Prosecutor's Office  
310 Ludington St.  
Escanaba, MI 49829

**Re: FOIA Request – Laboratory Test Results, Escanaba Bar Cocaine Raid (Case connected to FOIA #25-130)**

Dear FOIA Coordinator,

Pursuant to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act (MCL 15.231 et seq.), I am requesting copies of the **laboratory testing results** related to the evidence seized in the Escanaba bar cocaine raid, which was the subject of my prior FOIA request #25-130.

Specifically, this request seeks:

1. **Laboratory analysis reports, toxicology results, or controlled substance testing reports** generated by the Michigan State Police Forensic Laboratory, any regional forensic lab, or any contracted/private forensic laboratory, concerning suspected narcotics seized in the Escanaba bar cocaine raid.
2. Any **chain-of-custody cover sheets** accompanying those lab results.
3. Any **transmittal or return correspondence** between the Prosecutor's Office and the laboratory regarding the status or outcome of the testing.

This request is limited to records **already created and maintained by your office** as part of the prosecution/case file. I am not asking you to create new records or compile data.

If any portion of these records is exempt, please redact only the exempt information and release the remainder, as required by MCL 15.244(1). Please also provide the specific statutory exemption(s) relied upon for any redaction or withholding.

If these records are in electronic form (PDF or scanned documents), I request that they be sent to me by email at [REDACTED]

As this request concerns a matter of significant public interest, I respectfully request that any fees be waived or reduced under MCL 15.234(1).

Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,  
Joseph Parrotta

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tracy@deltacountymi.org

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**Re: FOIA 25-234 email address missing**

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**From :** [REDACTED]

Thu, Oct 02, 2025 12:13 PM

**Subject :** Re: FOIA 25-234 email address missing

**To :** Tracy Lantagne <tracy@deltacountymi.org>

Yes please, that was an oversight on my end

On Thu, Oct 2, 2025 at 7:58 AM Tracy Lantagne <[tracy@deltacountymi.org](mailto:tracy@deltacountymi.org)> wrote:

Hi Joseph,

I received the attached FOIA request from you today and noticed the email address is was not inserted into the form letter and think that was an oversight on your end.

Could you confirm whether or not you would like the response emailed to you at this email address?

Thanks,

Tracy Lantagne

Delta County Administration Office

906-789-5100

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# Forensic Advantage Discovery Packet

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9:30:04 AM  
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**LABORATORY REPORT**

Laboratory No.	: MQ24-101	Record No.	: 1
Investigating Ofcr.	: Josh Dishaw	Date Received	: February 20, 2024
Agency	: Michigan Department of State Police	Exam Complete	: March 1, 2024
Agency No.	: UPT-19-24	Date Released	: March 4, 2024

**Nature of Offense:**

3500-1 - Controlled Substances: Violation of the Controlled Substances Act

**Suspect(s):**

Johnson, James Joseph  
Way, Corey Allen

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**Evidence Received:**

Container #1	1-Heat-sealed plastic bag containing (Agency Item #14):
Item #1	1 - Plastic bag corner with a faint white residue

**Results of Analysis:**

Based upon observations made and the results of microscopic, chemical and/or instrumental analyses performed on the above listed item(s), the following statement of findings is made:

Item(s)	Weight	Substance Identified	Schedule
1	Residue	Cocaine	2

**Additional Information:**

Item 1 was transferred to the Latent Print Unit of the Marquette Forensic Laboratory for additional examinations.

The interpretation of the data and authorization of the results was performed by the undersigned forensic analyst. Other staff members may have performed laboratory activities concerning evidence associated with this report. For a complete listing of all staff members who performed laboratory activities in this case, please contact the laboratory via the telephone number above.

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*The relevant supporting data upon which the expert opinion or inference was made are available for review/inspection.*

Agency No.: MQ24-101  
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**LABORATORY REPORT**

Laboratory No.	: MQ24-101	Record No.	: 2
Investigating Ofcr.	: Josh Dishaw	Date Received	: March 12, 2024
Agency	: Michigan Department of State Police	Time Received	: 7:27 a.m.
Agency No.	: UPT-19-24	Date Completed	: March 12, 2024

**Nature of Offense:**

3500-1 - Controlled Substances: Violation of the Controlled Substances Act

**Subject / Known Impressions:**

Suspect: Johnson, James Joseph W/M DOB 1/16/1962 SID# 1067765W  
Suspect: Way, Corey Allen W/M DOB 3/20/1984 SID# 2756873T

**Evidence Received:**

Container #1	1-Heat-sealed plastic bag containing (Agency Item #14)
Container #1-1	1-Heat-sealed plastic bag (created by CSU) containing:
Item #1	1-Plastic bag corner with a faint white residue

**Processing Results:**

The above listed evidence was processed for latent prints.

There were latent prints of no comparison value on Item #1.

**APPENDIX**

Latent print processing could result in laboratory generated latent lifts and/or photographs that are not of value for comparison. If generated, they will remain on file in the applicable case record.

Residue that is present in drug packaging is removed and destroyed prior to processing for latent prints and will not be returned.

**Significance of Latent Print Unit results:**

The presence of a latent print on an item of evidence indicates contact was made between the source and the item. The presence of a latent print alone does not necessarily indicate the significance of the contact or the time frame during which the contact occurred.

Due to a variety of factors, the recovery of latent prints on items of evidence is not always successful. A lack of latent prints on an item or the exclusion of a latent print from a given source does not necessarily mean that the given source did not come into contact with the item.

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Friction Ridge examination follows the ACE-V (analysis, comparison, evaluation – verification) methodology in which the impressions are first analyzed and then compared in a side-by-side manner. Any noted discrepancies and/or correspondence are evaluated to reach an opinion of a comparison result. Verification is the independent ACE of the same impressions for agreement or disagreement of the comparison result.

Comparison results are defined as:

- Identification is the opinion that the compared impressions originated from the same source because there is sufficient quality and quantity of corresponding friction ridge detail. Identification does not mean to the exclusion of all others. Studies have shown that as more reliable features are found in agreement it becomes less likely to find that same arrangement of features in a print from another source.
- Exclusion is the opinion that the compared impressions did not originate from the same source because there is sufficient quality and quantity of friction ridge detail in disagreement.
  - Preliminary Exclusion is the opinion of the analyst of an exclusion that has not been verified by another examiner. This may be the result indicated when a comparison to another subject resulted in the highest association of identification to the same latent print.
- Inconclusive due to the known impressions is the opinion that an identification or exclusion result cannot be reached because there is insufficient friction ridge detail in the known print. Additional known impressions from the compared individual may allow for a result of identification or exclusion.
- Inconclusive due to the latent print is the opinion that an identification or exclusion result cannot be reached because there is insufficient friction ridge detail in the latent print. Additional known impressions from the compared individual are not expected to allow for a result of identification or exclusion.

#### Deferred Examination:

A deferment of some comparison examinations will be indicated in the report on property crime cases. Listed victims may not have been compared on the case. Subjects on the case will be compared until identified and the remaining comparisons will be deferred for that subject. All latent prints that are suitable for AFIS will have been searched in AFIS to provide any additional subject information on the case. Full comparison on the case may be completed upon request.

#### Closed AFIS Search:

A closed AFIS search is an AFIS searching tool that searches a limited set of subjects, instead of the entire database, against latent prints. This AFIS function may be used to search latent prints against some or all of the subjects listed on a case and provides a rapid comparison response to indicate a particular area of focus for comparison. The closed AFIS search information may be used during comparison. All reported comparison results are the results of manual comparison by an analyst.

#### Unsolved Latent Database:

If no candidate is determined to be the source of an unknown latent print that was searched in AFIS and/or NGI, the latent print is registered and saved in the Unsolved Latent Database where it is continuously searched against

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incoming known impressions.

**Retention of Latent Prints in the AFIS/NGI Registered Database(s):**

Latent prints added to Michigan's AFIS (Automated Fingerprint Identification System) and FBI's NGI (Next Generation Identification) registered database(s) will remain in the database until identified, removed per agency request, or when the entry meets the following criteria:

1. Indefinitely on the following file classes: Homicide (0900), Abduction/Kidnapping (1000), Criminal Sexual Conduct (CSC) (1100), Felonious Assault (1300-2)
2. Ten years from the date of entry for all other file classes.

**The interpretation of the data and authorization of the results was performed by the undersigned forensic analyst. Other staff members may have performed laboratory activities concerning evidence associated with this report. For a complete listing of all staff members who performed laboratory activities in this case, please contact the laboratory via the telephone number above.**



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March 12, 2024

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**LABORATORY REPORT**

Laboratory No. :	MQ24-101	Record No. :	3
Investigating Ofcr. :	James McDonough	Date Received :	January 31, 2025
Agency :	Michigan Department of State Police	Exam Complete :	January 31, 2025
Agency No. :	UPT-19-24	Date Released :	February 3, 2025

**Nature of Offense:**

3500-1 - Controlled Substances: Violation of the Controlled Substances Act

**Suspect(s):**

Johnson, James Joseph

**Evidence Received:**

Container #2	1-Heat-sealed plastic bag containing (Agency Item #18):
Item #2	1 - Heat sealed bag containing a chunky white powder material

**Results of Analysis:**

Based upon observations made and the results of microscopic, chemical and/or instrumental analyses performed on the above listed item(s), the following statement of findings is made:

Item(s)	Weight	Substance Identified	Schedule
2	79.08 grams	Cocaine	2

**Additional Information:**

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**LABORATORY REPORT**

Laboratory No. :	MQ24-101	Record No. :	4
Investigating Ofcr. :	James McDonough	Date Received :	February 6, 2025
Agency :	Michigan Department of State Police	Exam Complete :	February 6, 2025
Agency No. :	UPT-19-24	Date Released :	February 6, 2025

**Nature of Offense:**

3500-1 - Controlled Substances: Violation of the Controlled Substances Act

**Suspect(s):**

Johnson, James Joseph

**Evidence Received:**

Container #3	1-Heat-sealed plastic bag containing (Agency Item #20):
Item #3	1 - Heat sealed plastic bag containing a chunky white powder material

**Results of Analysis:**

Based upon observations made and the results of microscopic, chemical and/or instrumental analyses performed on the above listed item(s), the following statement of findings is made:

Item(s)	Weight	Substance Identified	Schedule
3	26.41 grams	Cocaine	2

**Additional Information:**

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