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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT

MICHAEL C. SKAKEL

Petitioner

Case No. 3:07 CV 1625 (PCD)

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PETER J. MURPHY, Respondent. December 24, 2008

AFFIDAVIT

I, Hubert J. Santos, being duly sworn, depose and say:

- I am over 18 years of age and understand the meaning of an oath.
- I am a member of the Bar of the State of Connecticut and am one of Michael Skakel's lawyers.
- I have reviewed an affidavit signed by John M. Regan, Jr. of the New York Bar.
- Regan's affidavit provided in part that he has served as Gregory Coleman's lawyer and was contacted by a prosecutor in Connecticut regarding Coleman.
- Regan told the person he describes as a Connecticut prosecutor that his former client, Coleman, was dishonest, deceitful, and that no one would put the slightest confidence in his contention concerning the supposed admission of Michael Skakel regarding the Moxley murder.
- 6. I have spoken to former Chief State's Attorney Christopher Morano regarding Regan's affidavit. Mr. Morano, now in private practice, advised that he never spoke to anyone who claimed to be Coleman's lawyer.
- Based upon what I know of the State's Attorney for the Judicial District of Fairfield, Jonathan Benedict, I do not believe the person Regan spoke to was Mr. Benedict, the lead prosecutor in the Moxley case.
- I believe the person Regan spoke to was not a prosecutor, but was instead, Frank Garr, the lead investigator in the Moxley murder investigation.

- Garr was the Coleman's principal contact person, and it was Garr who believed Coleman when he claimed more than 25 years later that Michael Skakel confessed to him.
- 10. Garr had plans to write a book about the murder, and within weeks of Skakel's sentencing went to New York City to meet with a publisher and signed a contract with his extremely close friend, Len Levitt, a former reporter for *Newsday* and received four to five thousand from Levitt for his "help" in writing the book. Levitt testified at a new trial hearing in Stamford in 2006 that he paid Garr for information.

Hubert J. Santos

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 24th day of December, 2008.

Notary Public/Commissioner of the Superior Court