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## Press Release

### Motion to suppress evidence in Czerkawski case denied

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The Norfolk District Attorney's Office has received notice from Norfolk Superior Court that the motion to suppress evidence in the Commonwealth v. Radoslaw Czerkawski prosecution was denied. The decision is dated Feb. 23, 2015.

Quincy Police drove to a motel in New Britain, Connecticut on October 23, 2013 after developing information that the defendant was staying there after leaving Massachusetts. When they located his vehicle, Quincy Police obtained a search warrant from a judge of the New Britain Judicial District to search the rented Nissan. The motion to suppress had sought to have all of the evidence taken in the search ruled inadmissible, arguing that the judge had erred in issuing the warrant. The motion separately argued that any evidence of alleged financial crimes should be excluded, because the warrant was specifically issued to look for evidence of animal cruelty.

"This ruling confirms what we have consistently believed; the Quincy Police Department obtained a valid warrant to search the defendant's rental car," District Attorney Morrissey said. "Further, they did not exceed the scope of their warrant when that search revealed property and materials in plain view that suggested that a larceny may have been committed. One more step in the methodic journey toward trial."

The case is due back in Norfolk Superior Court July 7, 2015.

See here for past press releases on indictments:

- \* Larceny indictments added in animal cruelty case.pdf
- \* Animal abuse indictments in so-called "Puppy Doe" case