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**SALT LAKE CITY, UT** — The Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office filed motions to dismiss 69 cases Monday in Third District Court as part of its continuing review of cases impacted by both internal reviews and audits conducted by the West Valley City Police Department and the ongoing criminal and administrative reviews by the District Attorney's office.

The decision to dismiss these cases is not taken lightly, but is necessary to ensure the fair application of justice. The District Attorney is obligated by the Constitution and case law to make sure the rights and due process interests of those involved in the criminal justice system are observed.

These cases are being dismissed based upon issues of credibility as well as the interest of justice. This office has both a legal and ethical responsibility to prosecute only those cases it believes have a reasonable likelihood of success at trial. It is the opinion of The Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office that the cases being dismissed, and the collateral attendant issues, do not provide sufficient or reasonable confidence in the integrity of the evidence to reasonably result in convictions.

The dismissals are based solely upon the information obtained thus far from protected sources, audits, reports, etc. As the Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office continues to further investigate these matters it will update its dismissals as required by the developing probe and continued gathering of information.

When the integrity of the prosecution and criminal justice system is so compromised, the measures currently being taken are not only required but become affirmatively necessary to restore the public trust in our public institutions. This is a commitment that The Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office intends to keep with its citizens. This office is cognizant of the Constitutional safeguards owed to our citizens and required from law enforcement professionals in the execution of their responsibilities and will not file one case that violates this commitment.

Finally, The District Attorney's Office thanks Eric Bunderson, West Valley City Attorney, and his office for their continued assistance. It is also imperative to note that the conduct of one or some officers of a particular unit does not tarnish the honorable and professional work of the

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many fine men and women who continue to serve their agency with honor and distinction. Furthermore, such conduct is not indicative of the level of professionalism practiced by law enforcement officers in this valley.

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<b>COURT #</b>	<b>DEFENDANT</b>
101907247	Aguillar, Israel
121908800	Amador, Jeffrey
121904546	Antonio-Ramirez, Saul
121910218	Avila, Antonio
121903191	Burquez, Eduardo
121910730	Catak, Alen
121911903	Chapas-Navarro, Neptali
121903489	Chavez, Robin
121910146	Christiansen, Terry
121902213	Cordova, Dominic
121905413	Cruz, Dalcy
121907266	Darger, Tyler
131900883	Dominguez, Guadalupe
121900857	Duarte, Jose
131900608	Edwards, Jake
111901250	Edwards, Steven
121906510	Emery, Tom
111901296	Flores-Chapas, Gabriela
131900566	Garn, Tyler
111901523	Gomez, Jorge
121900237	Gomez-Bardales, Arturo
121905744	Gonzalez-Gonzalez, Socorro
121904548	Gonzalez-Ruiz, Jorge
111901922	Hernandez-Chavez, Lorenzo
101907131	Izarraraz, Jose
131902264	Jackson, Andrew
121907859	Jensen, Timothy
101908271	Lopez-Diaz, Antonio
101904100	Macias, Rosalio
111908123	Martinez, Herberto
121906691	Martinez-Ortiz, Ernesto
131900151	Mascaro, Jacob

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121905415	Mendoza, Luis
101908117	Moreno, Ezquiél
111900419	Moreno, Gaudencio
121909155	Murillo, Michael
111901787	Ortiz-Andino, Alexander
101905713	Perez-Martinez, Luis
101902431	Petersen, Kami
101902747	Pitayo-Flores, Edmondo
091909576	Poulsen, Nalara
121908013	Ramirez, Oliver
101908110	Rivera, David
121905370	Rodriguez, Aliseal
121911630	Rodriguez, Nicole
101904739	Rodriguez-Baltazar, Daniel
121910009	Rondas, Kevin
121906569	Smith, Michael
111907380	Solorzano, Francisco
131901708	Thongphon, David
101907121	Torrez-Luna, Alvaro
111901431	Velazquez-Reza, Horacio
121909622	Winter, Donald
101908223	Zuniga-Zuniga, Juan
101907119	Fernandez, Leonardo
101907309	Raygosa-Gonzalez, Rodolfo
101907308	Vergo-Galinda, Saul
101906329	Vazquez, Daniel
111908575	Mendoza-Hermosillo, Uriel
101906328	Martinez-Tisanao, Juan
101908022	Andino-Sierra, Yuri
121911805	Hernandez, Gerardo
121906892	Soledad-Pina, Margarita
121911773	Contreras, Juan

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121909123	Garduno-Colin, Jose
111908577	Gonzales-Perez, Saul
101906485	Campos-Ramirez, Rodrigo
121907276	Liceaga-Ortiz, Ismael