SAMUEL LANDIS ARRAIGNED ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2023.

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On August 31, 2023, a Marion County Grand Jury returned a secret indictment charging Samuel Landis with Criminally Negligent Homicide for the death of Marganne Allen from March 28, 2023. A warrant was issued for his arrest on September 6, 2023. Landis surrendered on that warrant, posted \$2000 security, and was released. His arraignment date was scheduled by the court for September 20, 2023.

Today, Samuel Landis was arraigned on one count of Criminally Negligent Homicide before the Honorable Daniel Wren at the Marion County Circuit Court Annex, 4000 Aumsville Highway SE.

ORS 132.420 prohibits the disclosure of any fact concerning a secret indictment until the indictment is subject to public inspection, which typically occurs after a person has been arraigned on the charge.

The case was assigned to the Honorable Tracy A. Prall without entry of a plea, and a Status Conference is set for October 18, 2023, at 8:30.

Marganne Allen's family wished to convey the following message: "The family is very grateful for the thoughts and prayers directed to them in this very difficult time. The show of support has been especially heartwarming. The family requests their privacy be respected during this difficult time. Please direct all inquiries to my office – Brian N. Lathen, Attorney at Law."

Because this is an ongoing criminal case, no additional information will be provided prior to the final resolution of the case.

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