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Alex Friedmann Associate Editor Prison Legal News Transmitted via e-mail Original will not follow

Dear Mr. Friedmann:

We are in receipt of your email request of October 2, 2009 requesting information regarding the settlement of litigation or claims by the family of Scot Noble Payne.

We are unable to provide you with copies of any documents or settlement agreements per the provisions of Idaho Code § 9-340D (11) quoted in part below.

"At the time any claim is concluded, only statistical data and actual amounts paid in settlement shall be deemed a public record unless otherwise ordered to be sealed by a court of competent jurisdiction. Provided however, nothing in this subsection is intended to limit the attorney client privilege or attorney work product privilege otherwise available to any public agency or independent public body corporate and politic."

This case was concluded with a negotiated compromise settlement. The total amount paid to the plaintiffs and their attorneys was \$100,000.

Sincerely,

Kit Coffin

Risk Management Program Manager

c: Melissa Vandenberg, Deputy Attorney General