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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CRITTENDEN COUNTY, ARKANSAS
CRIMINAL DIVISION

STATE OF ARKANSAS

PLAINTIFF

VS.

NO. CR-93-516, 517, 518 A

JESSIE LLOYD MISSKELLEY, JR.

DEFENDANT

PETITION FOR CHANGE OF VENUE

Jessie Lloyd Misskelley, Jr., Defendant, petitions the Court for a change of venue and in support of such petition states:

1. That the Defendant, Jessie Lloyd Misskelley, Jr., is charged with the offense of three (3) counts of Capital Murder, a Class Y Felony.

2. That the minds of the inhabitants of Crittenden County are so prejudiced against the Defendant that a fair and impartial trial cannot be held in this County.

3. That the defendant will be filing affidavits in support of such allegations.

4. The case at bar has created wide speculation and controversy and vast media attention has been directed to the defendant, as reflected in the attached exhibits, and as such, he cannot obtain a fair and impartial trial in Crittenden County, Arkansas.

5. That this Court has the authority and discretion to change venue pursuant to Arkansas law.

WHEREFORE, the Defendant, Jessie Lloyd Misskelley, Jr., prays that the Court grant this Petition and issue its order removing this case to another appropriate venue.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

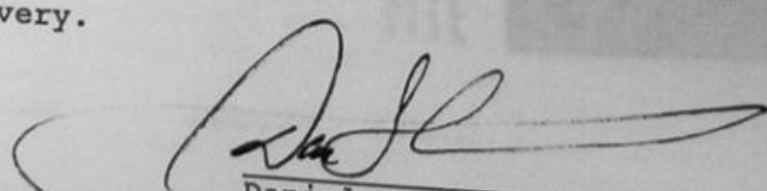
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Daniel T. Stidham, Attorney for the Defendant herein, do hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing pleading for Change of Venue upon John Fogleman, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, P.O. Box 1666, West Memphis, Arkansas 72303, and all other attorneys of record, by placing same in the U.S. Mail this 22 day of July, 1993 with sufficient postage attached to ensure delivery.


Daniel T. Stidham