

STATE OF INDIANA)
) ss:
COUNTY OF LAKE)

SUPERIOR COURT OF LAKE COUNTY
CRIMINAL DIVISION
CASE 45G02-9802-CF-000034

STATE OF INDIANA,)
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Plaintiff,)
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V.)
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VERNON BATEMAN,)
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Defendant.)

ORDER

01-16-26 On or about January 13, 2026, the State filed State’s Response to Defendant’s Reply in Support of Motion for Post-Conviction DNA Testing and Request for Hearing, outlining additional efforts made to try and locate sexual assault kits that could potentially be submitted for post-conviction DNA testing, and indicating that those efforts were unsuccessful. Upon consideration, the Motion for Post-Conviction DNA Testing, filed by the Defendant on or about September 30, 2025, is hereby denied. The Clerk is directed to notify the defendant, Attorney Gurulé, and Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Villarreal.

SO RECOMMENDED: *Mark Watson*, Magistrate.

SO ORDERED: *M. J. Murphy*, Judge. (kpv)