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No Indictment Issued in 1991 Cold Case Murder

Fort Worth, TX – A Tarrant County Grand Jury has declined to issue an indictment in connection with the death of Cynthia Gonzalez, a 25-year-old Arlington woman who was reported missing on September 17, 1991.

The decades-old cold case has drawn nationwide attention.

On Friday, grand jurors reviewed the available evidence related to Gonzalez's death and ultimately chose not to issue charges. As required by law, grand jury deliberations remain confidential.

"This is the difficult reality of many cold cases," Trial Specialist Kim D'Avignon said. "Over time, witnesses can pass away or become unable to testify. Also, cold cases don't have some of the modern technological resources like cell phone data and cameras. Sometimes these factors can leave us without the admissible evidence needed to prove a case beyond a reasonable doubt."

"We remain hopeful that new information will emerge that allows us to reopen the investigation and then present the case again to the Grand Jury for a future indictment. We will not give up hope that someone knows something that could help us to successfully prosecute this case in the future. If anyone has any information, we urge them to reach out to Arlington Police Department."

Gonzalez was found five days after she was reported missing. She had been shot to death and her body was found in rural Johnson County.

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