

**Statement from the Family of  
Arlene, Seymour and Marty Tankleff  
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As the family of the murder victims Arlene and Seymour Tankleff, we have great hope that the Governor's appointment of the Attorney General as special prosecutor will finally lead to justice in this case after two decades.

The calls from all quarters for a special prosecutor were based on the overwhelming evidence of Marty's innocence and others' guilt, and were never intended to maintain Marty's status as a possible defendant. The appeals court unanimously ruled in Marty's favor, and a mountain of new evidence has come out vindicating Marty and implicating others.

The district attorney fought tooth-and-nail to preserve, way beyond ethical boundaries, the flawed conviction of Marty for these crimes. Yet, even he publicly concluded that it is time to close the case against Marty Tankleff. Any objective observer should easily and quickly come to the same conclusion.

The timing of the special prosecutor's appointment and the resulting delay in dismissing the charges against Marty prolongs the suffering of Marty and the rest of the victims' family, even while the obvious murder suspects walk the street, one apparently bragging that he's "untouchable."

It is long past time to dismiss all charges against Marty and, for the very first time, begin investigating Jerry Steuerman, Joey "Guns" Creedon, Peter Kent, and others who the evidence shows were involved in committing the murders or covering them up.

We would like to meet with the attorney general to help him with his investigation, and to learn about his plan and timetable, particularly in regard to the charges that remain against Marty.