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<p>The People of the State of New York,</p> <p>against</p> <p>John Sinagra, Defendant</p>
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Background

In May 27, 1990, the bullet-ridden body of 18-year-old Patrick Porco was found dumped on the streets of Brooklyn. During the months of June and July, the New York City police conducted an investigation including interviewing numerous persons close to the deceased. By August, it appears from the police file that the investigation into Porco's murder had stalled and while the case remained "active," no further investigation was undertaken. *People's Ex. 3.*

On May 7, 1996, the Patrick Porco homicide file was closed by "Exceptional Clearance." The "Clearance" report stated that based on information from the Kings County District Attorney's office, Joey Scarpa, the son of a notorious organized crime figure, Greg Scarpa Sr., had been