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A Statement on the Sentencing of Former Clerk of Courts Deborah Smalley

There is finally closure now that former Clerk of Courts Deborah Smalley has been sentenced. Mrs. Smalley should consider herself lucky that she will only be serving 18 months in prison. She said throughout the entire investigation that she would be glad when the truth comes out, now the truth has come out. I hope Mrs. Smalley takes her time in jail to reflect on her crimes and the number of people that she has hurt. I have spent seven months bringing integrity back to an office that has been in constant turmoil for many years. I would like to thank State Auditor Dave Yost and his staff for their hard work on this case. I would also like to commend the hard working employees of the Clerk of Courts office who kept the office running during this period of chaos and uncertainty.

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