

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
WESTERN DISTRICT, CRIMINAL DIVISION**

**STATE OF ARKANSAS**

**PLAINTIFF**

**V.**

**16JCR 2023-0639**

**JONATHAN BOYD**

**DEFENDANT**

**ORDER OF NOLLE PROSEQUI  
FOR GOOD CAUSE**

On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025, comes the Motion of the State of Arkansas by and through Deputy Prosecuting Attorneys Charlene Davidson and Katherine Calaway for the Court to enter an order of nolle prosequi for good cause. The Court makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

1. The Craighead County District Court found probable cause for the arrest of the defendant, and he was arrested on or around May 21, 2023. The defendant was charged by felony information on June 8, 2023, with two counts of first-degree murder, one count of aggravated robbery and three counts of theft of property.

2. At the time of Boyd's arrest, the Craighead County Sheriff's office presented strong circumstantial evidence in support of the arrest and subsequent filing of the charges.

3. Additional crime lab testing results have recently been made available to law enforcement. It is in the best interest of justice to enter an order of nolle prosequi for good cause in this case and to continue the investigation.

4. The State is not trying to evade the speedy-trial requirement. The State has more than sufficient speedy trial time remaining. *See Hall v. State*, 594 S.W.3d 175 (Ark. App. 2020).

5. A trial judge is vested with discretion as to entry of nolle prosequi for good cause of charges pending before him. A.C.A. § 19-85-713. *See Noland v. State*, 265 Ark. 764, 580 S.W.2d 953 (1979).

6. The investigation into the deaths of the two victims is on-going and will continue.

7. The Court grants the motion for a nolle prosequi for good cause and the Defendant may be released from the Craighead County Detention Center.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



Scott Ellington  
Circuit Court Judge

Date: 19 JUNE 2024



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Managing Deputy Prosecuting Attorney



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