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For Immediate Release

The Mesa County Coroner's Office has completed its examination regarding the death of Willard Michael "Mike" Bobbitt, a 36-year-old male whose last known residence was in Montrose, Colorado. Mr. Bobbitt was the individual found in the Colorado River during the evening hours of Wednesday, August 11, 2010. The criminal investigation is in its early stages. In order to not comprise the successful investigation and apprehension of a suspect, we are only releasing the manner of death at this time. The manner of death was **Homicide**. We hope you understand our position and we will release more information as the investigation progresses.

The law enforcement agency overseeing this investigation is the Grand Junction Police Department. Please contact them for any further details.

Thank you