

## Clock runs out on two possible charges in death of Holding Center inmate

Cattaraugus County DA Lori Rieman lets the time run out on manslaughter and criminally negligent homicide against Matthew Cross, a cop who murdered an inmate by strangling him. Cross was hired after this murder by the Ellicottville Police Department. Further there were [three suicides within a six month time frame in the Cattaraugus County Jail](#) that do not appear to have been investigated in any manner what-so-ever;

“Richard A. Metcalf Jr. died five years ago Thursday after Holding Center deputies knotted a spit mask around his neck and pulled a pillow case over his head. Though a state agency urged prosecutors to consider charging key jail deputies in the inmate's death, two potential counts are now off the table: manslaughter and criminally negligent homicide. A five-year statute of limitations applies to those charges, which some court observers said were a prosecutor's most likely options if a criminal case were to begin. The prosecutor in the matter, Lori Pettit Rieman of Cattaraugus County, has given no sign she will charge anyone, even though Metcalf's death has twice been determined a homicide — a death at the hands of others.

Rieman, who took on the case because the Erie County District Attorney's Office had a conflict of interest, has said only that she will announce her decision when ready. She did not respond to a telephone message or an email seeking comment for this article.” [To read the full Buffalo News article click here.](#)

Further proof she is not fit to hold the office of District Attorney.