

Attorney General Nathan also announced a settlement of \$86,000 with Langston 21 and its principals, James Garvin and Marshall Banks. This amount reflects the money from the earmark retained by Langston 21. Under the agreement, the final \$30,000 payment due from these parties in December 2012 may be reduced if Langston can prove that any of those funds were actually spent on youth sports programs. In the settlement agreement, Garvin and Banks have promised to cooperate in the District's case against Thomas.

In addition, Attorney General Nathan today referred this matter to the United States Attorney for the District of Columbia for consideration of whether to pursue a criminal case in connection with this matter.

Attorney General Nathan stated that "we cannot tolerate the diversion of any of our scarce District resources, particularly by those who would use their positions of trust and influence to obtain these funds for personal gain." The Attorney General added that he "is proud of the hard and diligent work of our OAG attorneys whose tenacious investigative efforts meticulously unearthed the evidence which we will rely on at trial." Nathan praised Bennett Rushkoff, Chief of the Public Advocacy section, and the lawyers and investigators working under his direction, for their outstanding efforts. Promising "as swift a vindication of the District's rights as possible," the Attorney General advised that his office will do all it can to achieve an expedited resolution of this matter.

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