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### **Cold Case Unit Nets Arrest of Illinois Woman for 1988 Slaying**

(OSWEGO, Illinois) – On 01/13/10, Jane Reth, age 45 of Illinois, was arrested for Murder in the First Degree and Tampering with Physical Evidence following a nearly three-year-long investigation by the Alaska State Troopers' Cold Case Unit. Reth is accused of killing her late-husband, Scott M. Coville in Sitka in April of 1988. Coville was reported missing to the Sitka Police Department by family members because they hadn't heard from him following his 26<sup>th</sup> birthday. He was subsequently listed in the State of Alaska Missing Persons Clearinghouse. New leads were developed after a tip was received by the Troopers in the spring of 2007.

A Sitka Grand Jury returned a true bill of indictment against Reth on 01/08/10. Following the indictment, a warrant with the bail amount of 250,000 dollars was issued. Reth was arrested by Kendall County Sherriff's Office without incident in Oswego, IL. Plans are being made to extradite Reth to Alaska.