

Fotis Dulos note: My lawyers have evidence to prove I'm innocent, court doc reveals

By Staff Reports

In a motion filed late Thursday, attorneys for Fotis Dulos are seeking to preserve all evidence police gathered at their client's Farmington home following his apparent suicide attempt this week.

Fotis Dulos, who died Thursday at a New York hospital, left a note stating he was not involved in the death and disappearance of his estranged wife, Jennifer Dulos, according to the court document.

"He declared his innocence of the infamous and heinous crimes that the state has accused him of and claimed his lawyers have the evidence to prove it," the motion reads.

According to the motion, the note is in the possession of either the Farmington or state police and the defense is seeking to preserve it and all other evidence investigators collected during the search on

Wednesday.

In a statement released Thursday, state police cited the gag order in the case that prevented them from discussing the evidence collected at the Jefferson Crossing home. State police also said the search warrant was sealed.

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indicate.

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