Late Rap Artist Lawsuit Ends in Mistrial

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The wrongful death lawsuit of late hip-hop rap artist Notorious B.I.G. ended today as U.S. District Judge Florence-Marie Cooper declared a mistrial.

The judges ruling came after she expressed concern at a hearing Tuesday that the Los Angeles Police Department had deliberately withheld evidence from the court.

The trial began June 21 and now has ended with no new evidence coming to light.

The fate of the lawsuit was not immediately discussed,

The FBI had spent 18 months investigating the possibility that a rogue Los Angeles police officer working with rap mogul and CEO of Death Row Records, Marion "Suge" Knight had orchestrated Notorious B.I.G.'s killing. Marion 'Suge' Knight, whose Death Row Records was the label of late rap icon Tupac Shakur, has always denied he had any participation in this.

Although the FBI could not find any real evidence to support the allegations and theories surrounding the murder of Notorious B.I.G. it seems that information was not passed along to Russell Poole who's allegations and theory had formed most of this case.