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**INVESTIGATION DISCOVERY EXPLORES SELACIOUS SECRETS AND SUSPICIOUS DEATH OF KATHLEEN PETERSON IN ALL-NEW LIMITED SERIES, "AN AMERICAN MURDER MYSTERY: THE STAIRCASE"**

*-- Latest Installment of Breakout Hit AMERICAN MURDER MYSTERY Franchise to Premiere Sunday, April 8 at 10/9c, Only on ID --*

(Silver Spring, Md.) – Michael Peterson appears to have it all – a doting wife, a loving family and a successful literary career – but, that all changes on December 9, 2001, when Michael’s wife, Kathleen, is found dead in a pool of blood at the bottom of a staircase in their home in Durham, North Carolina. Michael claims it was a tragic accident. Investigators, however, fear something far more sinister is at play and direct their attention to him. Did Michael Peterson murder his wife? Investigation Discovery (ID) delves into one of the most fascinating cases in criminal history in **AN AMERICAN MURDER MYSTERY: THE STAIRCASE**. Premiering **Sunday, April 8 at 10/9c**, the three-part special event provides a unique and comprehensive look at the death of Kathleen Peterson, exploring the shocking theories, critical evidence and surprising secrets that thrust this case into the national spotlight.

“The death of Kathleen Peterson is one of the most confounding cases in history,” said Henry Schleiff, Group President of Investigation Discovery, American Heroes Channel and Destination America. “There are so many pieces to this puzzle – from Michael’s salacious secrets to investigator misconduct to the odd owl theory – so, we are eager to bring our viewers the first complete look at this fascinating crime and subsequent trial.”

**AN AMERICAN MURDER MYSTERY: THE STAIRCASE** is the unabridged story of the suspicious death of Kathleen Peterson and the trial of her husband, Michael, for her murder. The three-night event features all-new and exclusive interviews with key players in the case, most notably Candace Zamperini, Kathleen’s sister and Brent Wolgamott, a male escort whom Michael was emailing with at the time of the crime, as well as legal experts, jurors and reporters who covered the case from the very beginning.

Created by the team behind ID’s record-breaking AMERICAN MURDER MYSTERY franchise, **AN AMERICAN MURDER MYSTERY: THE STAIRCASE** is produced for ID by American Media, Inc. and Jupiter Entertainment with Allison Wallach, Tim McConville, Matt Sprouse, David Pecker, Patrick Reardon and Dylan Howard as executive producers. For ID, Pamela Deutsch is senior executive producer, Sara Kozak is senior vice president of production, Kevin Bennett is general manager, and Henry Schleiff is Group President of Investigation Discovery, American Heroes Channel and Destination America.

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