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in her lungs.

But the autopsy noted bruising on the side of the victim's neck consistent with strangulation. Culbreath said there was no DNA evidence included in the investigation.

Culbreath said the victim and Carl Harris Jr. had divorced before her death, but they apparently stayed together after the divorce. He said when authorities found the victim in the river, she was naked from the waist up.

He said police found her

clothes elsewhere.

Culbreath described the relationship between the couple as tumultuous, according to witnesses, which included multiple abusive acts. He said they have 14 witnesses who could testify of the abuse in the relationship.

"Everyone we've spoken to said the violence was consistent," Culbreath said.

Culbreath also testified of a bar conversation he learned about in which Harris reportedly had asked for help getting rid of somebody just two weeks before his wife went missing.

Culbreath also spoke of

a nephew of Harris' who told them about a fight he'd been in with his uncle, during which he threatened to kill him, just like his aunt.

After the body was found, police interviewed Harris twice. Culbreath said both statements were inconsistent with each other.

Harrison questioned Culbreath about the officers who took his client's statements made to police. He said one of the officers has since passed away and the other didn't remember much.

Harrison also questioned Culbreath why he hasn't listened to a tape-recorded statement given by his cli-

ent to police shortly after the killing.

Culbreath also acknowledged during questioning by Harrison that there was never a police report filed by the victim reporting domestic abuse, and he was never charged with a domestic violence crime.

Harrison suggested Tracy Harris was having multiple affairs.

"We have no documentation or proof Tracy was having an affair except for what Harris Jr. said himself," Culbreath said.

Culbreath acknowledged during the defense questioning that police had no eye witness or physical evidence, including DNA

evidence, connecting Harris to the killing.

Harrison suggested during questioning that the second man failed a polygraph exam during the initial homicide investigation.

But during questioning by District Attorney Adams, Culbreath said a polygraph also taken of Harris came back deceptive.