

## PART III PEOPLE V. PAUL

Former lover's words led to Novak's arrest – *Times Herald Record* - November 2012

*A former lover of accused murderer Paul Novak made statements to the police that led to his recent arrest in the 2008 death of his estranged wife, Catherine Novak.*

**With wife found dead in fire, did EMT pull off the perfect crime?** *New York Post, May 26, 2013.*

*In the early morning hours of Dec. 13, 2008, the body of Catherine Novak..was found in what little remained of her burned-down house in upstate New York. When it was finally out, almost nothing remain; it was impossible for investigators to find any physical evidence or determine what caused the fire. Two autopsies were performed, and the cause of death remains inconclusive.*

**I DIDN'T KILL MY WIFE** *On the eve of his murder trial, Paul Novak claims he is innocent* – *THR August 11, 2013*

*During a jail-house interview on Friday, Murder defendant Paul Novak flatly denied that he killed his then-estranged wife, Catherine. Novak separated from Catherine about nine months before her death.*

**Investigator recounts death scene details** – *THR August 20, 2013*

*Sullivan County Fire Investigator Art Hawker said the fact Catherine Novak's body was found spread-eagled on her back with arms spread behind her head and legs spread after a house fire aroused his suspicion. He said her body appeared posed, and he would more likely expect the body to be lying in a fetal position or on its stomach.*