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Erica Mathis Pleads Guilty to Murder 2nd

Rochester, NY- On Friday, January 24, 2020, 35 year-old Erica Mathis pled guilty to Murder in the 2nd Degree for the intentional death of Dytanyia McCracken.

On July 26, 2019, McCracken returned home after a domestic dispute with his girlfriend, Erica Mathis, at 19 Karnes Street in the City of Rochester. While he was trying to leave their home again, the defendant stabbed him in the chest causing his death.

The case was prosecuted by Senior Assistant District Attorney Eleanor Biggers of the Domestic Violence Bureau.

"I want to thank the Rochester Police Department for their swift and thorough investigation into this matter," said Assistant District Attorney Eleanor Biggers. "This, like all domestic violence cases, was a senseless tragedy that has left a family destroyed."

"Domestic Violence in our community, in all forms, will not be tolerated by the Monroe County District Attorney's Office," said Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley. "Thanks to the Rochester Police Department and Assistant District Attorney Eleanor Biggers, this dangerous individual will now spend the majority, if not all of her life in prison. We urge anyone in a domestic violence situation to reach out to law enforcement or the Willow Domestic Violence Center."

Erica Mathis is scheduled for sentencing on March 2, 2020, in front of Supreme Court Justice Charles Schiano. She is expected to receive 20 years to life in the NYS Department of Corrections.