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Joshua Vanwuyckhuyse Convicted of Four Counts of Aggravated Family Offense

Rochester, NY- Wednesday, June 16, 2021, a Monroe County Jury convicted 30-year-old Joshua Vanwuyckhuyse of four counts of Aggravated Family Offense for violating a No Contact Order of Protection from February 2019 – June 2019.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Jessica Wagner of the Domestic Violence Bureau.

"Today's verdict proves that No Contact Orders of Protection are an important tool to protect victims, especially victims of domestic violence," said Assistant District Attorney Jessica Wagner. "Joshua Vanwuyckhuyse has a history of poor choices and poses a serious threat to those who know him. The Monroe County District Attorney's Office urges anyone struggling in a domestic violence situation to reach out to law enforcement or Willow Domestic Violence Center of Greater Rochester."

Assistant District Attorney Jessica Wagner was also honored today by Survivors Advocating For Effective Reform (SAFER) for her work with victims. Nominated by a victim from an unrelated case, SAFER acknowledged ADA Wagner for her tireless work with victims and her dedication when assisting them through the often daunting criminal justice system.

"Domestic Violence cases are often some of the most challenging to prosecute," said Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley. "Assistant District Attorney Jessica Wagner puts her heart and soul into her cases to find justice while also advocating for the victims and keeping their needs first. Thank you to Jessica for your commitment to these difficult cases and your one-on-one work with victims!"

Joshua Vanwuyckhuyse will be sentenced on July 16, 2021, by Family Court Judge Vazzana.

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