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Domenic Mineccia Convicted of Tampering with Physical Evidence After Death of Nicole Grana

Rochester, NY- Thursday, April 6, 2017, at the conclusion of a bench trial, Monroe County Court Judge Christopher Ciaccio convicted 37-year-old Domenic Mineccia of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree, Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree, Tampering with Physical Evidence and Endangering the Welfare of a Child.

On the afternoon of December 24, 2014, Domenic Mineccia purchased heroin for himself and his girlfriend, Nicole Grana. The defendant prepared the heroin, which was laced with fentanyl, consumed some and left the rest in the bathroom for Nicole as he left the house to drive to a nearby CVS. Nicole consumed the rest of the heroin while preparing to take a bath. Mineccia arrived home thereafter to find Nicole dead from an overdose. Mineccia then tampered with Nicole's body by bringing her body to his vehicle, along with their child, and drove around for an unknown amount of time, before bringing the body back into the house and calling 9-1-1.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Buckley, Chief of the Sex Crimes Bureau.

"Domenic Mineccia had little regard for the lives of his family when he purchased and gave deadly, life-threatening drugs to his girlfriend, knowing she was the sole care provider for their 16-month child," said Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Buckley. "Once finding the lifeless body of the mother of his child in the bathtub, instead of immediately calling emergency services, the defendant instead chose to self-servingly tamper with evidence to avoid any trouble he may have found himself in with authorities. With help from the Greece Police Department, the Monroe County Toxicology Lab and the Medical Examiner's Office, Mineccia is being held accountable for his actions and complete disregard for the life of another human being. I want to thank Nicole's family for their constant involvement throughout the long awaited trial. Heroin and fentanyl overdoses have become an epidemic in this community and there are resources out there to prevent this type of tragedy. The Monroe County District Attorney's Office urges

anyone struggling with this addiction to reach out to community organizations, which are there to help."

Domenic Mineccia will be sentenced on May 25, 2017, in Count Court by Judge Christopher Ciaccio.

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