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**Defendant Enters Plea on Mother's Murder Case**

*People v. James Glass: Kern County Superior Court Case BF191180*

(Bakersfield) – Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a resolution to a murder case. On June 29, 2023, defendant James Glass entered a plea of no contest to one count of murder in the second degree.

On July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020, the Bakersfield Police Department responded to a residence on 1326 Chester PL. Glass told law enforcement that he had been staying at the residence for 3-4 days, but found the door locked and fell asleep on the porch until the next morning. The defendant then stated he went around to the side door in the morning, saw it was open, entered the residence, and saw the victim's legs on the floor before he exited and called 911.

Mrs. Snowden, mother of the defendant, was found deceased when law enforcement arrived at the scene. Snowden was found with a bedsheet around her head and blood all around her body. Removal of the bedsheet revealed significant trauma to her head. Near the victim was a baseball bat with blood on it.

An autopsy confirmed that Snowden died from blunt force injury. The injuries were determined to be linear and consistent with a bat and her skull fracture was from serious amount of force. Further investigation matched a blood stain on Glass' basketball shorts to Snowden. In addition, the investigation revealed that the defendant's DNA matched to the grip of the bat.

Commenting on the verdict, District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer said, "I'm grateful for law enforcement's investigation that led us to this conviction. Ensuring that violent criminals are prosecuted is vital for public safety."

Glass faces upwards of 15 years to life in prison. Sentencing is scheduled for July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023, in Department 9 in front of the Honorable Judge Kenneth Twisselman.

James Glass:

