

Mayetta Man Pleads to Reduce Charge in Murder Case

(MSC News)-- A Mayetta man facing a charge of first-degree murder in the November 2015 stabbing death of a Mayetta woman has pleaded no contest to a reduced charge.

As part of a plea agreement, *The Holton Recorder* reports 51-year-old Wilson Noriega entered the plea last Friday in Jackson County District Court to a charge of voluntary manslaughter.

In exchange for the plea, two drug charges were dismissed.

A five-day jury trial in the case had been set to begin May 15th.

Noriega was charged in the fatal stabbing of 49-year-old Leann Sanchez early November 21st, 2015 at a residence on the Prairie Band Potawatomi Reservation where the two lived.

A sentencing date has not been set.

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