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FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

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PRESS RELEASE

State Attorney Ginger Bowden Madden announced today that Dylan Lee Mancill was found guilty of Second Degree Murder with a Weapon and Aggravated Battery Upon Person 65 Years of Age or Older with Great Bodily Harm. The State is seeking the Court to sentence the defendant as a Prison Releasee Reoffender which would subject him to a maximum sentence of Life. He is set to be sentenced by the Honorable Kelvin Wells on April 6, 2021.

On August 24, 2018, the victim an 85 year old female was trying out a new electric wheelchair. The victim stopped at a neighbors' residence to visit with the homeowner and view a chicken coop. While talking to the neighbor, Dylan Lee Mancill, the neighbors' son began pacing behind the victim. At that point the defendant picked up a hatchet that was located near the chicken coop and struck the victim in the back of the head. The defendant then fled the area before being apprehended by Walton County Sheriff's Office approximately an hour and a half later.

Walton County Fire/EMS, Liberty Volunteer Fire Department and Walton County Sheriff's Office arrived on scene within minutes of the attack to perform first aid. The victim was rushed to a hospital where doctors performed life saving measures on the victim. However, the victim ultimately succumbed to her injuries in May 2019. The Medical Examiners' Office for District 1 performed an autopsy where they located fragments of her skull embedded in her brain. The Medical Examiners' Office ultimately determined that the victim died as a result of the injuries from the attack.

The investigation and arrest was conducted by the Walton County Sheriff's Office. Assistant State Attorney, Josh Mitchell prosecuted the case. For further information, please contact him at (850) 892-8080.