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WICHITA, KAN. – One of three people involved in the drug-related shooting deaths of two people was sentenced in Sedgwick County District Court. This morning, Judge Chrystal Krier sentenced Jacquelynn Arthur, 31 of Wichita, to 192 months in prison. In July of 2022, Arthur pled guilty to second degree murder and robbery.

On Dec. 29, 2020, Arthur, Michael Wilking, and Joshua Halstead entered the home of Bradley Reece in south Wichita, demanding to know where drugs and money were. Reece was later found dead from gunshot wounds in the front yard of a home in the 3900 block of W. Fairhaven.

Wilking's girlfriend, Kayla Schmidt, was wounded when Reece returned fire. Wilking then shot and killed Reece. Schmidt died later at a hospital.

Last March, Judge Tyler Roush sentenced Michael Wilking to 34 years for the death of Mr. Reece, as well as a separate June 2020 robbery in which he pled guilty to kidnapping and aggravated burglary, and an aggravated assault case from 2018.

Co-defendant Joshua Halstead, 36 of Wichita, pled guilty to second degree murder and is scheduled for sentencing January 4th.

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