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## OFFICE OF STATE ATTORNEY FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

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## PRESS RELEASE

William Eddins, State Attorney for the First Judicial Circuit, announced today that Honorable Michael Flowers, Circuit Judge, accepted the plea of defendant, Jerome Parrish, in the Okaloosa County Courthouse in Crestview, Florida. Mr. Parrish pled as charged to one count of First Degree Premeditated Murder. In return for the plea the State Attorney's Office agreed to withdraw the death penalty as a possible punishment. Parrish will be sentenced to life in prison without possibility of parole. His sentencing is scheduled for November 3, 2014 before Judge Flowers. The charge of Murder arose from the stabbing death of Parrish's wife, Alyssa Parrish on April 22, 2012 in Crestview, Florida.

The investigation was conducted by the Crestview Police Department. The case was handled by Assistant State Attorney Bobby Elmore. For further information he may be contacted at 850-689-5620.