Defendant Sentenced for 1st-Degree Murder of Natomas Library Branch Supervisor



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CASE: Ronald Seay (Case #18FE023832)

PROSECUTOR: Principal Criminal Attorney Allison Dunham, Homicide Unit

The Honorable Steve White sentenced Ronald Seay to life in prison without the possibility of parole. On April 20, 2022, a jury convicted Seay of the first-degree murder of Amber Clark. The jury also found true a personal use of a firearm causing death allegation and the special circumstance allegation of lying in wait.

Amber Clark was the branch supervisor for the North Natomas Library. On December 11, 2018, Ronald Seay arrived at the library parking lot, parked his car with a direct view of the library exit and waited for Amber Clark to get off work. When Ms. Clark left work, she exited the library and walked through the parking lot to her car. As she walked past Seay's car, Seay quickly exited his car and followed her. When Ms. Clark got into her car, Seay opened her driver side door, shot her 11 times with his 9mm semi-automatic pistol and left the scene. Ms. Clark succumbed to her injuries at the scene. Sacramento police detectives quickly discovered that Seay had previously been served with a Notice of Trespass by Ms. Clark in her capacity as the branch supervisor. Ms. Clark issued the Notice of Trespass because Seay repeatedly violated the library's rules and code of conduct, became verbally aggressive and refused to leave the library. Seay appealed the ban, and the appeal was denied.

Seay was arrested on December 12, 2018, and a search of his car revealed two 9mm semi-automatic pistols. It was later confirmed that all 11 shell cartridges found at the scene were fired from the 9mm semi-automatic pistol located in Seay's car.

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