

# JOINT NEWS RELEASE

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## Geneva Man Charged with First-Degree Murder

*RE: **Alejandro Cota**: Age 50 (d.o.b. 5-16-1974), of the 2700 block of Emma's Way, Geneva, Illinois. Case No. 2024MX3679, 2024CF2794*

**St. Charles, Ill.** - Kane County State's Attorney Jamie L. Mosser and Geneva Chief of Police Eric Passarelli announce that **Alejandro Cota** is charged with four counts of first-degree murder, a class M felony.

State's Attorney Mosser alleges that on December 26, 2024, Alejandro Cota stabbed and caused the deaths of Christina L. Chavira, age 47, and D.C., age 13. Geneva Police responded to a fatal domestic violence 911 call on Thursday, December 26, at 8 p.m., on the 2700 block of Emma's Way. Officers found two victims, who were pronounced deceased after being taken to area hospitals. The incident was isolated to the home, and Cota was taken into custody at the scene.

The Kane County Coroner's Office was called to the hospital to assist in the investigation of Christina L. Chavira's death. Chavira's body was transported to the Kane County Morgue, where an autopsy was conducted on December 27, 2024. Preliminary findings indicate that the cause of death is consistent with multiple stab wounds. Toxicology samples were collected during the autopsy and sent to a forensic laboratory for further analysis.

The Cook County Medical Examiner's office conducted the autopsy on the second victim, D.C., and found the manner of death to be a homicide caused by multiple stab wounds.

Cota is currently detained in the Kane County jail. His first court appearance was Saturday, December 28, and today the case was transferred to Judge Julia Yetter in courtroom 211. Cota's next court date is set for January 9 at 1:30 p.m. for a detention hearing.

State's Attorney Mosser and Police Chief Passarelli thank the St. Charles Police Department, Batavia Police Department, Kane County Sheriff's Office, Geneva Fire Department and Geneva Emergency Management for their assistance with the initial response, and the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force for their assistance with the investigation.

The charges against the defendant are not proof of guilt. The defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial in which it is the state's burden to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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