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Aurora Man Found Guilty of First-Degree Murder

*RE: **Getzuri Arrellano**: 24 (d.o.b. 07-30-1999) Case No. 2020CF2301.*

Kane County State's Attorney Jamie Mosser has announced that Getzuri Arellano, 24, of Aurora, Illinois, was found guilty on Friday, March 15, of the December 2020 first degree murder of Natalie Jimenez, who was his then 20-year-old girlfriend and mother of his 3-year-old child.

During the bench trial in front of Judge David Kliment, which began on March 4, State's Attorney Mosser and Assistant State's Attorney Greg Sams presented evidence that in the early morning hours of December 9, 2020, the defendant secretly went through Natalie's cell phone while she slept and found entries which upset him and made him question her fidelity. The defendant confronted Natalie in the small bathroom of the couple's house on Indian Avenue in Aurora, where they verbally argued. At some point, the defendant grabbed Natalie with both hands around her throat and strangled her.

The forensic pathologist who performed the autopsy testified that Natalie's body had contusions on the outside of her neck, including bruises appearing to be consistent with fingers caused by pressure on her neck. Natalie's neck also exhibited fingernail abrasions, consistent with either the fingernails of the assailant who strangled her, or with Natalie's own fingers as she struggled to try and free herself. Natalie's face and eyes displayed a large amount of burst blood vessels, known as petechia, caused by pressure on the veins of Natalie's neck which trapped blood in her head, not allowing it to circulate back to her heart. That overload of pressure is what caused the burst blood vessels. The forensic pathologist also detailed internal injuries to Natalie's neck.

The defendant's bond was revoked following the guilty verdict. The case will again be in court on May 17, 2024, for any post-trial motions and sentencing. The defendant faces a sentencing range of between 20 years and 60 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections. The defendant will be required to serve 100 percent of whatever sentence the judge hands down.

State's Attorney Mosser said: "I cannot express how sad and tragic this case is. Natalie's brutal murder by the very hands of the man who was supposed to love her, who was the father of her child, is symptomatic of the scourge of domestic violence we unfortunately see every day. A young mother who had raised a child through infancy and as a toddler never got to see that child walk up to his first day of kindergarten, and will never get to see him grow as a young man. That was all needlessly taken from her.

"Myself and all of my employees want to express our continued condolences to Natalie's family, who have stayed steadfast in their support and loyalty throughout the pendency of this prosecution. We also wish to thank the Aurora Police Department for the professional investigation its officers conducted, and for their extraordinary attempts to resuscitate Natalie at the scene. That same thanks goes to the Aurora Fire Department paramedics who responded and tried to save Natalie's life, and to all of the medical personnel at Mercy Hospital who treated Natalie before she passed away."

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