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Prosecutor Worthy Charges Granddaughter in Death of Grandmother

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy has charged Asia Dominique Johnson, 23 of Inkster in connection with the October 9, 2009 death of her grandmother, Hazel Vary, 77 of Detroit. On October 9, 2009, Johnson allegedly had an argument with her grandmother and fatally assaulted her. On October 11, 2009, Ms. Vary was discovered by Detroit police officers in her apartment in the 19000 block of Greenfield in Detroit severely beaten about the head. She was pronounced dead on the scene.

Johnson has been charged with Second Degree Murder, a felony punishable by life or any term of years in prison. The defendant will be arraigned today at 5:30 p.m. at 36th District Court, 421 Madison in Detroit.

"This is an assault on yet another of our senior citizens. We will prove that after the beating death of her grandmother, the defendant left her languishing for two days while Johnson tended to her own injuries," said Prosecutor Worthy.