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Trenton Woman Arrested for Murder

TRENTON – Acting Mercer County Prosecutor Angelo J. Onofri and Trenton Police Director Ernest Parrey reported the arrest of a Trenton woman for last month's murder of Paris France Way.

Charlotte Carman (DOB 4.23.77) of Hillcrest Avenue, is charged with murder, felony murder, robbery, possession of a weapon for an unlawful purpose, unlawful possession of a weapon and criminal mischief.

The charges are the result of a Mercer County Homicide Task Force investigation. At approximately 1:57 a.m. on May 31, 2015, Trenton police responded to the area of Sherman and St. Joe's avenues on a report of a stabbing. Upon arrival, officers located Way, age 33, lying in the intersection suffering from multiple stab wounds to the chest. He was transported to Capital Health Regional Medical Center where he was pronounced dead a short time later.

The investigation revealed that that on May 31, Way and a female neighbor arrived in the Sherman Avenue area shortly before the murder. After exiting the vehicle and walking toward their separate residences, the female suspect, later identified as Carman, approached the victim and a physical altercation ensued. Carman stabbed each of the tires of the Hyundai Sonata being operated by the victim during the altercation in addition to stabbing Way in the chest multiple times. She also took the victim's cell phone and \$180 from his pocket before fleeing the scene.

Carman was arrested in New Brunswick early Friday evening by members of the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office and the U.S. Marshals NY/NJ Regional Fugitive Task Force. She is being held at the Mercer County Correction Center in lieu of \$770,000 cash or bond bail.

Despite having been charged, every defendant is presumed innocent until found guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

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