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Guilty Plea after 3 Days of Trial Testimony

Jessie James Murphy, Jr., dob 1/4/1988, pleaded guilty today to voluntary manslaughter involving the death of Kathy Keener on August 1, 2009. Murphy's trial began on Monday, December 5, and the plea came after 3 days of testimony. Murphy was sentenced to 25 years, suspended upon the service of 12 years with three years probation. Ronald McKinley and Jamal Dover await their trials on Accessory After the Fact to Felony for their roles in destroying evidence in this case.

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