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Man Charged in Beating Death Pleads Guilty to Murder



ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares today announced that **MARK RICHARDSON**, 53, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Murder in the Second Degree, a Class A-I Felony, and (1) Count of Robbery in the Second Degree, a Class C Violent Felony, this afternoon before Hon. Judge Dan Lamont in Albany County Court. **RICHARDSON** faces 30 years to Life for the assault of a Cohoes woman and the fatal beating of a Cohoes man on December 30, 2011.

In the evening of December 30, 2011, in the Ogden Mill Apartments in the City of Cohoes, **RICHARDSON** did intentionally cause the death of the victim by physical assault during a robbery, and also did assault a separate victim during a subsequent robbery in her apartment.

RICHARDSON remains in custody until sentencing on July 5, 2012.

Chief Assistant District Attorney David Rossi is handling the prosecution of this case.

For more information, please contact Cecilia Logue.

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