South Lebanon Man Faces Death Penalty in Aggravated Murder of Sister

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Warren County Prosecutor David P. Fornshell announced a nine count grand jury indictment against Christopher G. Kirby of South Lebanon for the September 15, 2017 murder of his sister, Debra K. Power, also of South Lebanon.

Kirby, 37, was indicted for aggravated murder (special felony), murder (special felony), aggravated robbery (F1), felonious assault (F2), grand theft (F4), and tampering with evidence (F3) for his role in the death of Power. Kirby also was indicted for attempted aggravated murder (F1), aggravated robbery (F1), and felonious assault (F2) for critically injuring Power's husband, Ronnie L. Power. The grand jury further found probable cause that two capital specifications were satisfied, specifically (1) Kirby committed the aggravated murder of Debra Power as part of a course of conduct involving the purposeful attempt to kill two persons, and (2) Kirby was the principal offender in the aggravated murder of Debra Power while committing the offense of aggravated robbery. Therefore, Kirby could face the death penalty if he is convicted on the aggravated murder count, and either of the two capital specifications.

The grand jury also indicted Kirby's wife, Jacqueline R. Kirby, 31, for tampering with evidence (F3), receiving stolen property (F5), and misuse of credit cards (M1).

Both Christopher Kirby and Jacqueline Kirby are expected to be arraigned this week in Warren County Common Pleas Court.



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