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RE: 30 YEARS IMPRISONMENT FOR MURDERER

Lungisani Derrick Ndlovu was sentenced to an effective 30 years imprisonment in the Ntuzuma Regional Court last week for the murder and attempted murder of his in-laws.

The incident happened in December 2016 when the accused visited his in-laws in Inanda. His wife had moved back there after he had become abusive towards her. The accused got into an argument with his wife's siblings (her brother and sister), who had intervened, as they knew their sister was afraid of the accused.

The accused drew his firearm, shooting dead his wife's sister, and wounding her brother.

The Regional Court Prosecutor, Melishree Maduray-Frank led the evidence of the accused's wife who said that her siblings were trying to protect her from further emotional and physical abuse at the hands of the accused.

Maduray-Frank also handed in a victim impact statement facilitated by the Court Preparation Officer, Xolile Mzobe and compiled by the deceased's husband who gave an in-depth explanation of the pain and heartache he endured due to her sudden death.

The accused was sentenced to 15 years imprisonment for murder, 10 years imprisonment for attempted murder, 5 years imprisonment for unlawful possession of firearm and 12 months imprisonment for unlawful possession of ammunition. The court ordered that the 12 months imprisonment run concurrently with the 5 years, resulting in an effective 30 years imprisonment.

Kind Regards,

Natasha Kara

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