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Media Release

HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION

4/17/23 RELEASE

This afternoon (4/17/23) Ricky Dewayne McCain, 54, was arraigned at 14A District Court before Magistrate Fink on open murder, home invasion 1st degree, and criminal sexual conduct - assault with intent to commit sexual penetration, in connection with the homicide investigation of Jude Walton. Open murder can be punishable by life in prison without parole.

McCain stood mute, and a not guilty plea was entered on his behalf. He is being held without bond at the Washtenaw County Jail. A probable cause conference has been scheduled for April 27th at 9:00am at 14A District Court. All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Media outlets can request a booking photo by contacting the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office.

STATEMENT FROM INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE AIMEE METZER

"The murder of Jude Walton was a shock to this community and an enormous loss to those who had the pleasure to know her personally. Her community work really is the embodiment of Ann Arbor. I can say I'm proud of my team, both detectives and patrol officers, who worked tirelessly to get charges authorized in less than 48 hours of Ms. Walton's body being discovered. I know the community still has a lot of questions surrounding her murder, and while we won't be able to disclose all the details right now, I can say there is no longer a threat to this community." 4/13/23 RELEASE

On 4/13/23 at approximately 1:30pm officers were called to a home on the 200 block of Chapin Street. Once officers arrived and entered the home, they discovered the body of a 52-year-old Ann Arbor woman. At this time her death is being investigated as a homicide.

Next of kin has been notified and the victim has been identified as Jude Walton, a founding member of the Ann Arbor Independent Community Police Oversight Commission. There have been no arrests, and this remains an ongoing investigation. Anyone with information is asked to contact AAPD at 734.794.6920 or email the tip line at tips@a2gov.org.

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