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Detroit Man Charged in Redford Motel Fatal Shooting

Prosecutor Kym Worthy has charged Jose Angel Oquendo-Torruella, 39, of Detroit, in connection with the fatal shooting of Valentina Colban, 37, also of Detroit. Ms. Colban was the girlfriend of the defendant.

On November 9, 2024, at approximately 4:57 a.m., Redford police officers were dispatched to a motel in the in 9900 block of Telegraph Road for a reported shooting. Upon their arrival, officers located the victim inside a motel room, suffering from a gunshot wound to the face. Medics arrived on the scene and transported Ms. Colban to a local hospital where she succumbed to her injuries and was pronounced deceased.

It is alleged that Defendant Oquendo-Torruella was had a handgun and discharged it striking Ms. Colban in the face, fatally wounding her.

Jose Angel Oquendo-Torruella has been charged with Second-Degree Murder and Felony Firearm.*

He was arraigned and remanded to jail today in 17th District Court. The Probable Cause Conference is scheduled for November 19, 2024, at 8:45 a.m., before Judge Karen Khalil.

Please request a photograph of the defendant from the Redford Police Department.

*The charges are allegations and defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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