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WASHINGTON COUNTY ATTORNEY FILES MURDER CHARGES IN STABBING DEATH

Washington County Attorney Doug Johnson announced today that his office has charged David Joseph Janisch (D.O.B. 6/5/1979) with two counts of murder in the second degree in the death of his father, Gregory Thomas Janisch. On October 17, 2009, Stillwater Police were called to 2522 Countryside Court around 6:00 p.m. and found David Janisch in the front yard with blood on his hands. After entering the home, police found the victim lying in the entryway of his home in a pool of blood with a single stab wound to his chest. Gregory Janisch did tell police that his son, David, stabbed him. Gregory was transported to Regions Hospital and was pronounced dead at 7:34 p.m. at Regions Hospital. David Janisch was taken into custody at the Washington County jail where he awaits a hearing on the charges.

“At this point we will not be asking the judge to convene a grand jury,” County Attorney Doug Johnson said. “However, that can change if there is sufficient probable cause to indicate Janisch premeditated the murder of his father. In that case we would seek charges of Murder in the First Degree Murder”.

A copy of the complaint is attached. For further information, please contact Doug Johnson or Sue Harris, Washington County Attorney’s Office at 651-430-6115.