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## MARION COUNTY STATE OF FLORIDA V. VIOLET RAY

## MAY 21, 2012

On Friday, May 18, 2012 at approximately 7:30 pm the jury returned to Courtroom 5A with the following verdict in the case of State of Florida vs. Violet Ray:

Count one: Guilty of Murder in the First Degree in the death of her 2 year old adopted daughter Faith Ray Count two: Guilty of Aggravated Child Abuse Count three: Guilty of Child Neglect

Violet Ray was remanded into custody and transported to the Marion County Jail following the verdict. A sentencing hearing with Circuit Judge Robert Hodges will be scheduled upon completion of a pre-sentence investigation.

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