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Winnebago County State's Attorney J. Hanley announces that a Grand Jury has returned two indictments against **Christian Ivan Soto (DOB: 11/23/2001)** that include eight counts of First Degree Murder, seven counts of Attempt First Degree Murder, seven counts of Aggravated Battery (Deadly Weapon) and three counts of Home Invasion charges.

Christian Soto is charged with first degree murder for the deaths of Jacob Schupbach, Ramona Schupbach, Jay Larson, and a 15-year-old minor on March 27, 2024. He faces attempt first degree murder, aggravated battery and home invasion charges for other attacks at or near residences on Cleveland Avenue in Rockford and Florence Street in Winnebago County.

Soto is scheduled to be arraigned on May 17, 2024 at 8:30am in Courtroom B of the Winnebago County Criminal Justice Center. He is currently in custody at the Winnebago County Jail.

First Degree Murder is a Class M felony that is punishable by a sentence of 20-60 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections followed by three years of Mandatory Supervised Release.

Attempt First Degree Murder is a Class X Felony that is punishable by a sentence of 6-30 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections followed by three years of Mandatory Supervised Release.

Aggravated Battery (Deadly Weapon) is a Class 3 Felony that is punishable by a sentence of 3-7 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections followed by six months of Mandatory Supervised Release.

Home Invasion is a Class X Felony that is punishable by a sentence of 6-30 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections followed by three years of Mandatory Supervised Release.

The charges are merely allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until or unless proven guilty in a court of law.

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