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**PRESS RELEASE**  
**March 27, 2024**  
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Winnebago County State's Attorney J. Hanley announces that the Honorable Judge Paccagnini granted the State's motion to deny pretrial release of **Timothy D. Carter (DOB: 06/07/1995)** - the man charged with First Degree Murder for the stabbing at Walmart this past Sunday. Carter first appeared in court on Monday on a criminal complaint for First Degree Murder. Judge Schafer granted a temporary detention order on Monday, and set a hearing on the motion for this afternoon.

On March 24, 2024, Rockford Police Officers responded to the Walmart on Northridge Drive for a report of a stabbing. Upon arrival, officers located an 18-year-old male suffering from a stab wound to the back. The victim, later identified as Jason Jenkins, was transported to a local hospital, but he passed away a short time later. After a review of the facts of the case, the Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office authorized First Degree Murder charges against the defendant, Timothy Carter. This case is still under investigation by the Rockford Police Department and additional charges could be authorized at a later date.

Carter is scheduled to be back in court at 9:00am on April 9, 2024, in front of Judge Schafer in Courtroom 317 of the Winnebago County Courthouse.

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.

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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