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Winnebago County State's Attorney J. Hanley announces that the Honorable Judge Randy Wilt sentenced **John C. Boose (DOB: 3/7/1970)** to 50 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections for the offense of First Degree Murder. Boose was found guilty of First Degree Murder after a jury trial in front of Judge Wilt in April of 2021.

On January 31, 2015, Rockford City Police Officers began investigating the death of Regina Boose. During the investigation, a witness reported that on the evening of January 30, 2015, they saw John Boose beating Regina Boose over a period of hours. The next day, Regina Boose's body was found inside the residence the couple shared. An autopsy determined that Regina died as a result of blunt force trauma.

First Degree Murder is a Class M felony punishable by 20-60 years in the Department of Corrections. Any sentence for First Degree Murder must be served at 100% and is followed by a Mandatory Supervised Release term of three years.

The Rockford Police Department conducted the investigation in this case. Assistant State's Attorney Alison Meason handled the prosecution.

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