

**News Release from  
The Honorable Sandra Doorley  
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**Jennie Clark Pleads Guilty to Attempted Murder in the Second Degree and  
Vehicular Manslaughter in the Second Degree**

Rochester, NY- On July 7, 2022, 43-year-old Jennie Clark pled guilty to Attempted Murder in the Second Degree and Vehicular Manslaughter in the Second Degree for causing the death of Matthew Clark.

Jennie Clark will be sentenced to a determinate sentence within the range of 18 to 23 years in the New York State Department of Corrections to be determined by New York State Supreme Court Justice Charles Schiano, Jr..

In the early morning hours of July 4, 2021, Jennie Clark was driving her husband and three children home from a social gathering. During the drive home an argument ensued between Mrs. Clark and her husband, Matthew Clark, which led her to drive her vehicle off the road and into a telephone pole on the side of Colby Street, in the Town of Ogden. Matthew Clark was killed upon impact and the children suffered no injuries. Upon police arrival, it was determined that the defendant was under the influence of alcohol and intoxicated at the time she committed this act.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Amanda Balling, Deputy Bureau Chief of the Special Investigations Bureau and Assistant District Attorney Janna Koch, of the DWI Bureau.

“Jennie Clark’s actions that caused the death of Matthew Clark showed no regard for the life of her husband and the safety of her children,” said Assistant District Attorney Balling. “This was a completely avoidable tragedy and unfortunately three children have lost their father. I hope the family is able to find some solace with this outcome and can continue to heal from this tragedy.”

“Matthew Clark lost his life due to the depraved and senseless actions of Jennie Clark,” said District Attorney Sandra Doorley. “I am satisfied that the defendant has taken accountability for her horrific actions. This plea will ensure that her three young children will be spared from the further trauma of testifying against their mother in court. It is our hope that Mr. Clark’s family and loved ones can continue to heal from this unnecessary tragedy.”

Jennie Clark will be sentenced on October 3, 2022, in front of New York Supreme Court Justice Charles Schiano, Jr..

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