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MADIGAN: GUILTY VERDICT IN 2007 MURDER OF MT. VERNON MAN

Chicago — Attorney General Lisa Madigan announced today that a former Mt. Vernon woman has been found guilty of second degree murder for the stabbing death of her boyfriend in March 2007.

A Jefferson County jury returned the verdict against Kabria Cantley, 23, following more than 11 hours of deliberation that began Wednesday afternoon and resumed this morning. Cantley, now residing in the Champaign County community of Mahomet, was charged with the death of Bart Gladney, 30, following a domestic dispute at his Mt. Vernon home. Cantley claimed in court that her actions were self-defense. The case was investigated by the Mt. Vernon Police Department.

Judge Terry Gamber set March 22, 2011, for a hearing to set a sentencing date. Second degree murder carries a sentence ranging from four to 20 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections however the court could grant probation. Cantley remains free on bond.

Assistant Attorney General Daniel Kay prosecuted the case for Madigan's Criminal Prosecutions/Trials Assistance Bureau at the request of the Jefferson County State's Attorney's Office.

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