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## \*\*\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*\*\*

Re: People v. Clay Martin Burt Murray, Case No. 1488969

Santa Barbara County District Attorney Joyce E. Dudley announced today that a Santa Maria jury convicted Clay Martin Burt Murray of First Degree Murder. The jury found the special circumstance true that the defendant committed murder during the commission of kidnapping, and also found that the defendant intentionally used a firearm in causing the death of Rebecca Yap on October 13, 2014.

The defendant will be sentenced on May 23, 2018, in Department 8 of the Santa Maria Superior Court. He faces a sentence of life without the possibility of parole.

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