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Samson woman sentenced to 20 years for fatal stabbing

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A Samson woman received a 20-year prison sentence Thursday for fatally stabbing a man.



Lane

Geneva County District Attorney Kirke Adams said Circuit Court Judge Kenneth Quattlebaum

sentenced Felicia Lane to the maximum term for the crime.

Adams said Lane entered what's referred to as a blind guilty plea to a felony manslaughter charge in October 2014.

Agents with the Alabama Bureau of Investigation arrested Lane in January 2014, charging her with felony murder. They charged her with using a knife to stab 29-year-old Edward Owen Andrews to death Dec. 28, 2013.

Samson police Investigator Jimmy Hill told the *Dothan Eagle* the slaying happened at 613 S. Bay St. in Samson, which is also Lane's residence of record. Hill said the stabbing death involved some type of domestic incident.

Adams said two law enforcement officers testified during the hearing, along with two of the victim's relatives. "I asked for the judge to sentence her to a sentence of over 15 years and to not follow the sentencing guidelines," Adams said.

Adams said the sentencing guidelines recommend-

ed a sentenced of up to 13 years, which still would have made her eligible for early release from prison.

"The sentencing guidelines were put in place to try and keep people in prison for less time," Adams said. "I just felt when you take somebody's life you shouldn't be rewarded for what's called 'good time' or early release."