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**PRESS RELEASE**



Ashleigh Wade/Department of Correction

## **ASHLEIGH WADE ARRAIGNED IN BLOODY ATTACK ON PREGNANT FRIEND**

(Bronx, NY – January 5, 2016) – Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark announces the Supreme Court Indictment of 22-year-old **ASHLEIGH WADE** in the stabbing death of pregnant childhood friend **ANGELIQUE SUTTON**, during which she is charged with stabbing the 22-year-old victim multiple times, and slashing her in the abdomen in order to remove the nearly-full-term baby from her womb.

SUTTON died from her injuries; miraculously, the baby girl survived.

ASHLEIGH WADE pled not guilty before Bronx Supreme Court Justice George Villegas to the following charges:

**Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree (Class A-1 Felony, 2 counts)**  
**Kidnapping in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree (Class B Felony)**  
**Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree (Class A Misdemeanor)**

If convicted of all charges, WADE could face prison sentence of up to 50-years-to-life.

It is alleged that WADE and SUTTON had recently reconnected through Facebook, but when SUTTON went to WADE's apartment at 4450 Monticello Avenue in the Wakefield section of the Bronx on November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015, she was greeted with a knife.

Justice Villegas continued ASHLEIGH WADE's remand status and adjourned her case until April 5, 2016 in Part 79.

The case against ASHLEIGH WADE is being prosecuted by Assistant D.A. Meredith Holtzman, Deputy Chief, and A.D.A. Rachel Kalman, of the Bronx D.A. Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau.

The charges in this indictment are merely accusations and the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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