

# KANKAKEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S POLICE



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## SUSPECT PLEADS GUILTY IN NOVEMBER 2015 MURDER CASE

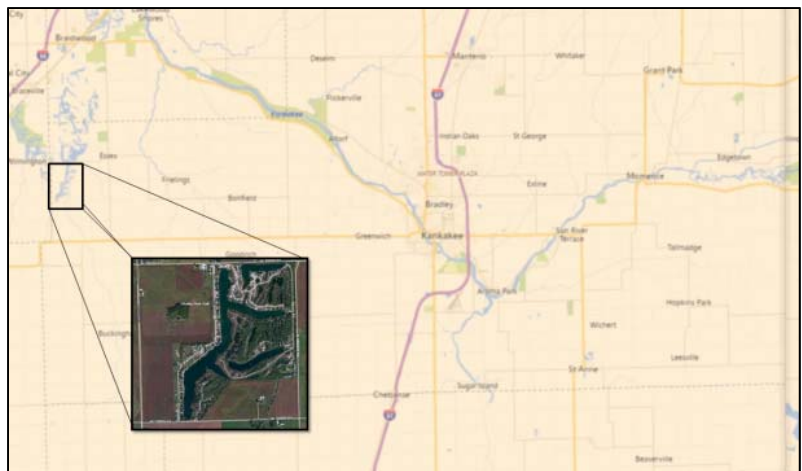
November 7, 2016 – Kankakee, IL –Michelle A. Rockwood, 43 years of age from Reddick, took a guilty plea earlier this morning in a Kankakee County courtroom in exchange for 27 ½ years (to be served at 100%) in the Illinois Department of Corrections. Michelle pled guilty in the murder of her former husband, Theodore N Rockwood II.

“I applaud the efforts of our investigators for sending such a good case up to the



State’s Attorney’s Office for prosecution,” said Sheriff Mike Downey. “This particular individual was also suspected of threatening additional persons prior to her apprehension. She obviously proved her willingness to see her threats to fruition and we are all fortunate to have her off of our streets and in the custody of the Department of Corrections.”

Michelle was taken into custody by the Chicago Heights Police Department two days after the incident that occurred in rural Reddick and was in possession of a handgun and a letter that made threats to another individual that was in the immediate area at the time of her arrest.



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