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## Jeffrey Scullin, Jr. Indicted for the Murder of Strongsville Teacher

CLEVELAND –County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley has announced that a Cuyahoga County Grand Jury has indicted Jeffrey Scullin Jr. for the murder of Strongsville middle school teacher Melinda Pleskovic.

Scullin, 20, who was set to marry Mrs. Pleskovic's daughter on October 28, 2017, resided with the Pleskovic family on Blazing Star Drive. On October 23, after Scullin had dinner with Melinda's husband, they returned home and found the victim lying on the kitchen floor. Melinda, 49, died as a result of numerous stab wounds and multiple gunshot wounds.

After a thorough investigation, Strongsville Police arrested Scullin on October 31. Scullin is charged with Aggravated Murder, Murder, two counts of Felonious Assault, Tampering with Evidence, Making False Alarms, and Endangering Children. Arraignment for Scullin has yet to be scheduled. Arraignments occur on the 12<sup>th</sup> Floor of Common Pleas Court.

"The brutal murder of Melinda Pleskovic has been very difficult for her family and the Strongsville community," said Prosecutor O'Malley. "I hope they take comfort in the fact that when a crime of this nature occurs, local, state, and federal agencies close ranks and work together as one. I would like to thank the Strongsville Police Department, FBI, and Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office, as well as the employees of my office, whose efforts led us to today's indictment."

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