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## ***SPARTANBURG WOMAN RECEIVES 30-YEAR PRISON SENTENCE FOR STABBING DEATH***

A Spartanburg woman received a 30-year prison sentence today for stabbing her boyfriend to death.

Pamela Marie Teal, 26, pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter. She will serve 80 percent of Circuit Judge Mark Hayes' prison sentence.

Teal stabbed James G. "Jimmy" Moore, 35, twice in the back during an argument that occurred at her father's Patterson Road home on Aug. 21, 2009. The stabbing occurred in the living room and Moore lost consciousness in a nearby bathroom. Teal left the home in the aftermath of the violence and was later located in the Town of Pacolet.

Deputies jailed Teal on a murder charge.

Assistant Solicitor Jennifer Jordan allowed Teal to plead guilty to voluntary manslaughter after she met with the victim's family and explained the potential outcomes of a trial.

Witnesses told deputies the couple drank beer together and argued about money prior to the start of the violence. Witnesses also cited prior incidents where Teal initiated violent acts against the victim.

"Today's sentence will hopefully provide much-needed closure for Jimmy Moore's family," Jordan said.

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