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## **Husband Sentenced to 75 Years-to-Life for Supermarket Stabbing of Wife**

A 55-year-old man pleaded guilty and was immediately sentenced today for the fatal stabbing of his estranged wife as she worked at a Santa Monica supermarket, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Amy Carter said Kelvin Melvin Green entered a guilty plea to one count of murder and admitted to two prior strikes.

Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge James Dabney of the Airport Branch sentenced Green to 75 years-to-life in state prison. He is due back in Department E on Sep. 3 for a restitution hearing.

On Aug. 21, 2011, Green stabbed Christina Talley 41 times in the face and abdomen while she was working at an Albertsons store on Wilshire Boulevard, Carter said. She died a day later. The prosecutor said he also assaulted a Good Samaritan who tried to help stop the attack. He was not injured.

Talley had previously told him she was going to permanently end their relationship and she got a restraining order against him, the prosecutor added.

The case was investigated by the Santa Monica Police Department.

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