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Tujunga Man Pleads to Stabbing Wife to Death

A 55-year-old man charged with stabbing his wife to death at their Tujunga home entered a no contest plea today, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Henrik Avetyan pleaded no contest to one count of voluntary manslaughter with a knife use allegation and four counts of attempted murder in case PA083496.

Avetyan will face a sentence of more than 21 years in state prison on Aug. 23 in Department I of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, San Fernando Branch.

The defendant stabbed his 50-year-old wife Larisa S. on May 7, 2015, following an argument at their home, prosecutors said. Avetyan then injured himself with the knife before a family member walked in to discover the scene, prosecutors added.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department, Foothill Station.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.