

Leavenworth Woman Pleads Guilty to Second-Degree Murder and Robbery

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LEAVENWORTH, Kan. --- Patricia J. Perkins, a 37-year-old Leavenworth woman, pled guilty to second-degree murder and robbery in the 2019 shooting death of Travis A. Doughty, whose body was found in a ditch in rural Leavenworth County.

According to court records, Perkins and two additional individuals schemed a plan to rob Doughty, 23 years old at the time, of money. Perkins would ultimately drive the vehicle. The scheme involved picking up Doughty and driving him to a rural area of Leavenworth County near Oak Mills Road. Perkins and the two additional individuals lured Doughty to the scene under the guise that the group would shoot guns. Once there, Doughty was shot and robbed of his money. Doughty's body was found on March 12, 2019.

County Attorney Todd Thompson said, "If you play a role in a crime, you are still responsible for the crime. Law enforcement did a great job in putting this case together, and we still have more to do."

One of the alleged participants in Doughty's death died under circumstances unrelated to this case.

Perkins is scheduled to be sentenced on September 20, 2023.