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Murder suspect arrested in NW Minot early Tuesday morning

On Dec. 17, 2024, at 12:22 a.m., Minot Central Dispatch received a report of an unresponsive female in a northwest Minot apartment.

Officers from the Minot Police Department arrived on scene and discovered a male performing CPR on the victim, Jane Doe. The male performing CPR informed officers that he was Jane Doe's brother-in-law, and that Friling Hadley 35, of Minot, was a household family member to Jane Doe and was supposed to be waiting outside to meet the responding officers.

Hadley fled the scene on foot before officers arrived. Officers located fresh footprints in the snow. K9 Caspian initiated a track on the footprints and successfully located Hadley approximately a block away from the apartment.

Jane Doe was transported to Trinity Hospital where she was later pronounced deceased. She appeared to have markings on her throat indicative of manual strangulation.

Hadley was arrested for Murder (Class AA Felony) and transported to Ward County Jail.

The investigation is ongoing.

Jane Doe's information will not be released until next of kin has been notified.

According to the North Dakota Domestic & Sexual Violence Coalition, in 2023, there were 6,131 new victims of domestic violence. If you or someone you know needs help, call the Domestic Violence Crisis Center at 701-852-2258.