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**Monroe County Grand Jury Indicts Clayton Whittemore for
Murder of Alexandra Kogut**

Rochester, NY- Today, a Monroe County Grand Jury indicted Clayton Whittemore, 21, for the murder of Alexandra Kogut. Kogut, an 18-year-old College of Brockport student, was found brutally murdered in her campus dorm room in the early morning hours of September 29th after she failed to answer phone calls from family members. Whittemore, with whom she was in a relationship, was apprehended by New York State Police hours later at a Thurway rest stop near Syracuse, NY.

Whittemore is charged with one (1) count of Murder in the Second Degree.

“As a mother of two daughters myself, I understand well the constant anxiety that a parent experiences when a child leaves home for the first time. I can only imagine, however, the horror of having your worst fears realized in such a brutal fashion,” said Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley. “Clayton Whittemore’s alleged actions took the life of a very special young woman, and while nothing I can do will bring Alexandra back to the many people who loved her, I can work to ensure that the cause of justice is served and that some measure of closure is given to her grieving family.”

Whittemore is being held without bail in the Monroe County jail awaiting arraignment. If convicted, he faces up to 25 years to life in prison.

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