

Yale lab tech admits killing Placerville grad

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NEW HAVEN, Conn. – A former animal research technician pleaded guilty Thursday to killing a Yale University graduate student from Placerville days before her 2009 wedding.

Prosecutors revealed that Raymond Clark III left behind evidence of a sexual assault and desperately tried to cover his tracks.

Clark pleaded guilty to murder and attempted sexual assault of 24-year-old Annie Le under an agreement that calls for a 44-year prison sentence.

His plea on the attempted sexual assault charge falls under Connecticut's Alford doctrine, in which the defendant in a criminal case agrees only that the state has enough evidence against him or her to get a conviction.

The sex charge and related DNA evidence offered the first official revelation of a potential motive in the case.

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