

## **BCPO** News



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## Medford Township Man Convicted of Killing Wife in 2023

Burlington County Prosecutor LaChia L. Bradshaw announced that a 43-year-old Medford Township man has been convicted of murdering his wife in their Regent Court home two years ago.

A Superior Court jury deliberated for three hours before returning a verdict on April 11 finding Babu Natarajan guilty of Murder (First Degree). The Hon. Gerard H. Breland, J.S.C., scheduled sentencing for May 23.

The investigation began the afternoon of March 21, 2023, when officers from the Medford Township Police Department were called to the residence for a report of an unconscious and unresponsive female adult.

Upon arrival, they found the body of Angammal Babu, 41, on the bed in the upstairs master bedroom. The 911 call was placed by the defendant, who indicated to responding officers that his wife had taken a nap because she was tired.

An autopsy performed by Burlington County Medical Examiner Dr. Ian Hood concluded the cause of death was due to compression of the victim's neck.

The investigation was conducted by the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office and the Medford Township Police Department. The lead investigators were BCPO Detective AlJerome Burnett-Crawford, BCPO Detective Melyssa Alonso, MTPD Detective Sergeant Jeff Samalonis and MTPD Detective Mark Hunsinger.

Natarajan was prosecuted by Assistant Prosecutor Bob Van Gilst, supervisor of the BCPO the Major Crimes Unit, and Assistant Prosecutor Tara Carlin.