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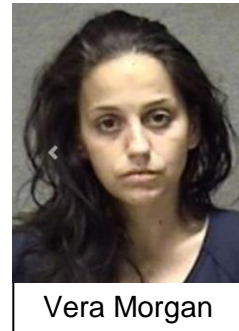
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**VERA MORGAN SENTENCED TO 40 YEARS IN PRISON**

*Muncie Indiana* – Earlier today, the Honorable John M. Feick, Judge of the Delaware Circuit Court No. 4 sentenced Vera R. Morgan (DOB 1/20/1989) to 32 years in prison. An additional 8 years was added because Morgan is an habitual offender. Consequently, her total sentence is 40 years in prison.

On August 31, 2022, a Delaware County jury deliberated for a little over an hour before convicting Morgan of Dealing in a Controlled Substance Resulting in Death, a Level 1 Felony. The jury also found Morgan to be an Habitual Offender in that she has accumulated at least 2 prior unrelated felony convictions – specifically Fraud, a level 6 felony, Possession of a Narcotic Drug, a Level 6 Felony, and Residential Entry, a Level 6 Felony.



After the sentence was issued Delaware County Prosecuting Attorney Eric Hoffman said “This conviction marks the third time this year our office has successfully prosecuted a defendant for Dealing in a Controlled Substance Resulting in Death. Despite what some may think, dealing drugs is a violent crime. This conviction should send a crystal clear message to drug dealers: if you deal narcotics in Delaware County and your customer overdoses and dies, you will be prosecuted and you will be held accountable. Stop selling your poison in our community. I am proud of Chief Deputy Zach Craig and Deputy Prosecutors Andrew Ramirez and Jagen Arnold for their hard work and dedication in this case.”

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