

Couple convicted of landlord's slaying

Davenport, Ia. (AP) — Travis Herman and his former live-in girlfriend, Stacey Grunder, have been convicted of second-degree murder in the Sept. 1 slaying of their landlord.

A Scott County jury, which deliberated for about eight hours over two days, Wednesday rejected the suspects' claims that they had acted in self-defense when Harold Sanders, 38, of Woodhull, Ill., was fatally stabbed at the couple's Davenport apartment.

Herman, 20, and Grunder, 33, both of Davenport, also were found guilty of willful injury, conspiracy and extortion.