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Murder Suspect Waives Preliminary Hearing

(KNZA)--A Leavenworth woman accused of murdering her mother last July has waived her right to a preliminary hearing.

The Leavenworth Times reports 60-year-old Victoria Smith was bound over for trial last Friday on a charge of first-degree murder.

Arraignment is scheduled for April 28th.

Smith is accused of killing her mother, Anna Higgins, on July 3rd. The crime is alleged to have occurred at Smith's residence.

The newspaper reports the probable cause affidavit in the case alleges Smith told police she struck her mother with a hammer.

She remains in the Leavenworth County Jail on a one million dollar bond.

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