

CARLINVILLE – Macoupin County State’s Attorney Jennifer A. Watson announced today that a Gillespie man was indicted on involuntary manslaughter charges. Richard C. Morgan, Jr., 27 (11/29/1984) was indicted on a single count of involuntary manslaughter. Judge Kenneth R. Deihl set bond at \$100,000 with the 10% rule to apply.

It is alleged that on November 23, 2011, Richard Morgan acted in a reckless manner by performing an act likely to cause death or great bodily harm to his daughter, Nevaeh M. Morgan. It is further alleged that Mr. Morgan put a baby wipe in the mouth of his daughter and unintentionally killed her.

“It is alleged that Nevaeh Morgan lost her life due to the reckless actions of her father,” commented State’s Attorney Watson. “Our young and helpless are our most vulnerable to these types of crime.”

As indicted, involuntary manslaughter is a class 2 felony with a maximum prison sentence of 14 years.

The public is reminded that a defendant is presumed innocent. This information contains only charges and is not proof of the defendant’s guilt.