

# Cheshire man charged with murder of wife, seeks visitation with two year old daughter

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A judge on Wednesday appointed an attorney to represent the children of a Cheshire man charged with murder in the fatal stabbing of his wife last month.

Emanuel Dominguez-VillaGomez, 31, faces charges of murder, first-degree assault, risk of injury to a minor, first-degree reckless endangerment and first-degree unlawful restraint. He is being held on \$1 million bond.

Monica Pinto Dominguez was found in a pool of blood on the floor of the couple's home at 780 Mountain Road after a domestic dispute on Sept. 11. She died at St. Mary's Hospital in Waterbury four days later. Police said she had been stabbed as many as 30 times.

When she was interviewed by police in the hospital, Dominguez identified her husband as her attacker. He was



Defense attorney Norm Pattis in tweet

in the home when police arrived.

There were also two children in the home at the time of the incident. Dominguez's 11-year old son and the couple's almost 2-year-old daughter. Both are in the care of the state Department

of Children and Families.

During Wednesday's court appearance, Nickola Cunha, an attorney representing the slain mother's family, objected to Dominguez-VillaGomez having contact with the 2-year

old. Norm Pattis, his attorney, requested that Dominguez-VillaGomez be allowed to have contact with his child through a supervised visitation in prison.

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