



Kosovo Women's Network

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KWN: There Is No Justice For Women While There Is No Punishment For Murderers

Yesterday, the news was made public that the Court of Appeals has annulled the sentence of life imprisonment by the Court of Ferizaj for Naser Pajazitaj, who killed Donjeta Pajazitaj.

Decisions like this motivate rapists and murderers of women, while demotivating women and girls who experience violence to report crimes and seek justice for them.

Furthermore, the Kosovo Women's Network (KWN) recalls that in addition to the Kosovo Criminal Code, the Istanbul Convention, adopted by the Assembly of the Republic of Kosovo, requires justice institutions to protect victims of gender-based violence and to punish without compromise rapists and murderers of women.

Through this statement, KWN requests that all aggravating circumstances in the case of Naser Pajazitaj be taken into account and that the sentence of life imprisonment be returned to him. Also, the process should not leave room for retrial.

Since the assassination of Donjeta Pajazitaj, KWN has made continuous efforts through protests, monitoring and reactions, calling for justice to be done and the killer to receive the punishment he deserves.

KWN will monitor this case closely and seek justice for Donjeta Pajazitaj, and for each woman raped and killed.