

# Bailiff Killed, Witness Injured in Siberian Courthouse Shooting

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An unnamed shooter has opened fire inside a courthouse in the Siberian mining city of Novokuznetsk, killing a bailiff and injuring a witness, authorities [said](#) Thursday.

The 45-year-old shooter armed with a rifle critically wounded a 45-year-old bailiff and a 43-year-old female witness inside a Novokuznetsk magistrates' court, regional investigators said in a statement. The bailiff later died from his injuries in the hospital.

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The unnamed suspect was detained and charged with murder, the Kemerovo region's Investigative Committee said.

Doctors operated on the woman for two and a half hours, medics [told](#) the RBC news website.

She remains in “serious but stable” condition and is likely to recover, they were quoted as saying.

The alleged shooter had been named a victim in a criminal case, Interfax [cited](#) an unnamed source as saying.

That case involved alleged destruction of property, the local city-n.ru news website [reported](#), citing an unnamed source.

“The man and the woman were given a chance to reconcile their differences in a separate room,” the news site reported.

“They were unable to come to terms. The man went outside, got his weapon and went back to court,” it added.

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