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Persistent Felon Guilty of Assaulting Downtown Patron

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Patterson announces that Bobby Glen Rost, 54, of Springfield, Missouri was convicted today by a Greene County Jury of Assault in the Second Degree and Armed Criminal Action. These events occurred on a Saturday night in July of 2009 when the defendant driving near Park Central Square, struck the victim with his car, exited his car, and then stabbed the victim. The jury deliberated for approximately two hours before returning its verdict.

The Honorable Thomas Mountjoy presided over the trial which lasted two and one-half days. Judge Mountjoy set a sentencing hearing for May 11, 2012, at 2:15 p.m. following a sentencing assessment report by the Department of Probation and Parole. The Defendant is a prior and persistent offender and faces a maximum sentence of fifteen years in the Missouri Department of Corrections for the Second Degree Assault conviction and a minimum sentence of three years in the Missouri Department of Corrections to no maximum for the Armed Criminal Action conviction.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys Jerry B. Hathaway and Nathan Taylor. It was investigated by the Springfield Police Dept. and Detective Kevin Cantrell was the lead investigator assigned to the case.

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