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Man Convicted in Home Invasion Sentenced

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Patterson announces that Christopher G. Yaeger, 38, of Springfield, MO was convicted on February 6, 2013, by a Greene County Jury of robbery in the first degree for entering a Springfield home in the early morning hours of January 21, 2012, and assaulting the resident while threatening her with a machete and stealing her valuables.

Today, the Honorable Calvin Holden sentenced Mr. Yaeger to 25 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections. Robbery in the first degree is a class A felony which carries a sentencing range from ten years in the Department of Corrections to Life in the Department of Corrections and is deemed a dangerous felony by Missouri statute, which means Mr. Yaeger will have to serve 85% of his sentence before being eligible for parole. The State recommended the Court sentence the defendant to Life in the Department of Corrections while the defense requested the Court to sentence the defendant to 10-15 years in the Department of Corrections. Mr. Yaeger has an extensive criminal history which includes 10 prior felony convictions for crimes such as burglary, stealing, and tampering with a motor vehicle as well as numerous misdemeanor convictions for crimes such as harassment, assault, obstructing an officer and resisting arrest.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Russell Dempsey and Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Philip Fuhrman. It was investigated by the Springfield Police Department and Detective Brian Crum was the lead investigator assigned to the case.

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