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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Christopher Forbes Found Guilty of Driving While Intoxicated and Careless and
Imprudent Driving

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Patterson announces that Christopher D. Forbes, 27, of Springfield, Missouri, was convicted Tuesday, May 21, by a Greene County Jury of the Class B Misdemeanors of Driving While Intoxicated and Careless and Imprudent Driving.

Forbes was found guilty of two counts contained in the misdemeanor information. The jury deliberated for one hour and 21 minutes before returning its verdict.

On February 25, 2012, Springfield Police Officer Tony D'Andrea stopped the defendant's vehicle for speeding and erratic driving. Upon speaking with the defendant, Officer D'Andrea noted a strong odor of alcohol coming from the defendant's breath. Officer D'Andrea asked the defendant to perform field sobriety tests. The defendant agreed to perform the Walk and Turn and One Leg Stand tests. His performance on those tests indicated that he was impaired. The defendant was arrested and transported to the Greene County Jail, where he refused to provide a breath sample.

The jury trial was presided over by The Honorable Mark Fitzsimmons. The defendant is subject to a sentence of up to six months in the Greene County Jail on each count. A sentencing date is pending.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys Matt Arens and Kevin Young. Springfield Police Officer Tony D'Andrea investigated the case.

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