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Ex-Boyfriend Convicted of Domestic Assault,
Will Serve 75 Days Shock Time before Beginning Probation

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Patterson announces that Chad Thomas Arnone, 21, of Kansas City, Missouri was sentenced today for the domestic assault of his ex-girlfriend at a Missouri State University fraternity house on April 17, 2016. Arnone had previously entered a guilty plea on April 12, 2017, to the class C felony of domestic assault and the class A misdemeanor of resisting arrest. There was no plea agreement.

Arnone was sentenced today by The Honorable David Jones to five years in the Missouri Department of Corrections for domestic assault in the second degree. While the sentence was suspended and Arnone was placed on five years of supervised probation, Arnone will not start his probation until he has served seventy-five days of shock time in the Greene County Jail. Arnone was also sentenced to a concurrent seventy-five-day jail sentence for resisting arrest.

A copy of the probable cause statement summarizing the facts of the case is attached hereto.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Sarah Donelan. It was investigated by the Springfield Police Department and Detective Cody Williams was the lead investigator assigned to the case.



## SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

## FELONY PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT



Date: <u>04/17/2016</u> Case #: <u>SPD160417015195</u>

I, CODY WILLIAMS, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law state as follows:

- 1. I have probable cause to believe that CHAD THOMAS ARNONE, White/Male, DOB 1995, committed one or more criminal offenses.
- 2. The following crime(s) happened on 2016/04/17 02:30 2016/04/17 02:45 at 1043 E CHERRY ST Room 103 in Springfield, Greene County, Missouri.
- 3. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

I learned the following by reviewing the initial police reports taken by Springfield Police Officers M. Bruner (DSN#1534), G. Cecil (DSN#1712), J. Stacy (DSN#1238), and Cpl. C. Nuccio (DSN#1362).

On 04/17/16 Springfield Police were dispatched to 1043 E. Cherry, Alpha Kappa Lamda House, in reference to a male wanting to harm himself and had become violent with the caller, later identified as AP. Call comments advised the male, later identified as Chad Arnone, was threatening to jump from a window before threatening to cut himself with scissors. AP reported Arnone had hit her.

Upon arrival Officer Trader and Officer Stacy observed Arnone appearing to exit out of a window on the east side of the building. Officer Bruner and Officer Stacy were able to gain entry into the fraternity house and respond to #103, which was locked. AP was heard inside the room pleading for assistance at which time officers knocked repeatedly. The door was opened by Arnone who then pushed Officer Bruner backwards, into a wall and Arnone fled on foot away from officers. Arnone exited the north door and jumped from a wooden walkway outside the door. Officer Stacy deployed his Taser which struck Arnone and took immediate effect. Arnone was then able to be taken into custody.

Officer Bruner reported Arnone pushed him with both of his hands into Officer Bruner's chest and upper arms. Officer Bruner reported no injuries as a result of this.

Officer Stacy documented observing obvious facial injuries to AP as Arnone opened the door prior to fleeing from officers. Officer Cecil contacted AP who Officer Cecil observed to have "large quantities of blood on her face, clothing, and hands" Officer Cecil observed AP's nose to appear "curved" and was actively bleeding. She documented AP's face to be swelling and red and that her AP's left collar bone had a large red mark. Officer Cecil documented observing a large amount of blood and AP's hair on the carpet of the room. AP was taken to a local hospital for treatment.

AP advised she had been dating Arnone for four years, on and off. She reported Arnone had invited

her over to his room and upon her arrival the two began to talk about their relationship. During these talks AP reported Arnone made several suicidal statements and at one point told AP to leave. AP said she left the room and Arnone pursued her begging her to come back inside which she did. She stated Arnone began to talk with her about their relationship and again told her to leave but she refused because she was worried he would attempt to harm himself. AP said Arnone told her a third time to leave his room at which time she gathered her belongings and began walking towards the door to leave. AP said she believed Arnone then grabbed her by her right shoulder and hair on her right side, jerking her backwards. She stated this caused her to fall backwards, striking the bed, and falling to the ground. AP reported Arnone then began to punch and kick her repeatedly in the head, face, and upper chest. AP Said Arnone stopped once he observed her bleeding and stated, "Look what I just did to you. I can't believe I did that. I can't live with myself. Now I have to kill myself."

AP reported she called Arnone's mother and then 911. She stated Arnone attempted to crawl out of the window but returned back inside the room and began to act as though he was going to cut his wrists with a pair of closed scissors.

AP reported she heard officers knocking on the door and she observed Arnone answer the door and push Officer Bruner before fleeing on foot.

On 04/17/16 I interviewed Arnone at the Greene County Jail in reference to this investigation. Arnone admitted, post Miranda Warnings, that he had made suicidal statements to AP. He stated AP reported she was attempting to call the police and he attempted to take her cellular telephone. Arnone reported the two "wrestled" over the cellular telephone and he believed when he reached for her cellular telephone he "clipped" her nose. Arnone advised when he opened the door he pushed the police officer and ran from them.

Arnone denied punching or kicking AP and stated he only struck her when he was reaching for her cellular telephone and after he had obtained the cellular telephone he threw it at AP striking her in the back.

The facts contained above are true.		
Cod, Willer #1870	1370	Officer
Signature	DSN	Title