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Jury Finds Woman Guilty of Assault with Hot Cooking Grease

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Dan Patterson, Greene County Prosecuting Attorney announced that Jillian M. Cannady, 29, of Springfield, MO was convicted today by a Greene County Jury of assault in the first degree with serious physical injury for assaulting a woman with hot cooking grease.

Cannady was found guilty of one count of first degree assault with serious physical injury for events occurring on January 9, 2010 in Springfield, MO. The jury deliberated for three hours before returning its verdict.

The jury trial was presided over by The Honorable Thomas Mountjoy. Assault in the first degree carries a range in punishment of 10-30 years or life in the Missouri Department of Corrections and is deemend a dangerous felony by Missouri statute, which means a person would have to serve 85% of the sentence before being eligible for parole. Judge Mountjoy set a sentencing hearing for December 9, 2011 at 2:30 P.M. following a sentencing assessment report by the Department of Probation and Parole.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Kristen Tuohy and Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Benjamin McBride. It was investigated by the Springfield Police Dept. and Detective Curt Ringgold was the lead investigator assigned to the case.