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Ramone Hicks Sentenced in 2010 Home Invasion Robbery

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Patterson announces that Ramone E. Hicks, 25, of Springfield, Missouri was sentenced today after being convicted by a Greene County Jury on March 20, 2013, of breaking into a home and robbing a father and his two young daughters.

Mr. Hicks has six previous felony convictions for distribution of a controlled substance, drug trafficking, unlawful use of a weapon, resisting arrest, escape from confinement and forgery. After being incarcerated on those felony convictions, Mr. Hicks was paroled on July 2, 2010. On September 2, 2010, just two months after being placed on parole, he committed this home invasion when he and two accomplices broke into a family's home, tied up the victim, held the victim and his two young daughters at gun and knife point, threatened their lives, and demanded money and valuables.

Today, the Honorable Dan Conklin sentenced Mr. Hicks to 60 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections. Mr. Hicks was sentenced to 20 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections on Count I – robbery in the first degree, 20 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections on Count II – armed criminal action and 20 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections on III – burglary in the first degree. The sentences in each count are to be served consecutive to one another. Robbery in the first degree is deemed a dangerous felony by Missouri statute, which means Mr. Hicks will have to serve 85% of his sentence before being eligible for parole.

This case is being prosecuted by First Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Russell Dempsey and First Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Nhan Nguyen. It was investigated by the Springfield Police Department and Detective Kevin Shipley was the lead investigator assigned to the case.

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