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Man Found Guilty of Neighborhood Shooting

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Patterson announces that Clyde C. White, 18, of Springfield, MO was convicted today by a Greene County Jury of two counts of unlawful use of a weapon and one count of armed criminal action for a shooting that occurred on March 5, 2013 following a jury trial before the Honorable Michael Cordonnier. The jury deliberated for approximately 45 minutes before delivering their verdict.

The evidence at trial was that the defendant was at the victims' home when a verbal argument ensued between the defendant and the victims. The defendant and another individual eventually left the victims' home. The mother of the residents, who was not involved in the verbal argument, was awoken by the commotion and drove to where the defendant and his friend were to determine what was happening. The defendant then retrieved a gun and began shooting at the mother. The mother attempted to flee from the defendant. The defendant followed her in a vehicle and continued firing at the mother. The entire time the defendant was firing at the victim, they remained in the victim's neighborhood, surrounded by houses. The Greene County Sheriff's Office responded to the shooting and found three shell casings and a gun holster in the area that the defendant was firing.

There is only one possible sentence for the conviction of unlawful use of a weapon where the defendant discharged a firearm at a car. Therefore, the first conviction for unlawful use of a weapon carries a mandatory sentence of 15 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections. The conviction for armed criminal action carries a mandatory prison sentence of a minimum of three years with no determined maximum. The conviction for the final count of unlawful use of a weapon for exhibiting the firearm in an angry or threatening manner carries a range of punishment of one year to 4 years

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imprisonment. Judge Cordonnier set a sentencing hearing for March 7, 2014 at 1:30PM following a sentencing assessment report by the Department of Probation and Parole.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Nathan Chapman. It was investigated by the Greene County Sheriff's Office and Detective Curtis Hunt was the lead investigator assigned to the case.

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