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Three Sentenced for Home Invasion

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that ReShaun Scott, 21, pled guilty on January 19, 2017, to Attempted Murder, Attempted Armed Robbery, Possessing a Weapon During a Violent Crime, Discharging into a Dwelling, Burglary of a Building in the Second Degree and Criminal Conspiracy from a home invasion near the Pleasant Valley Community in Greenville County. The Honorable Letitia H. Verdin sentenced Scott to eight years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections, along with co-defendants Jakoye Pinson and Tywaun Hines, who were each sentenced to nine years on charges arising from the same incident.

Evidence presented at the hearing by Assistant Solicitor Allen Fretwell established that on July 27, 2015, at approximately 3:30 am, Scott and Pinson unlawfully entered the victims' residence at 63 E. Castle Drive in Greenville County by forcing open a locked rear door. Inside, victim Joshua Mackey heard someone breaking into the residence and sent his girlfriend and their infant child into the bathroom to lock themselves in. Mackey then saw the barrel of a rifle coming around the corner into his room. Mackey grabbed the rifle, an AK-47 carried by Pinson, and Pinson fired the weapon. The two struggled over the weapon until Mackey was able to wrest the weapon from Pinson. As Pinson and Scott fled from the residence, Mackey fired the rifle (striking Pinson in the lower, rear portion of his body) until it jammed as he chased the intruders outside. Once outside, Mackey came under fire from Scott in the driveway area where the getaway vehicle was parked. Mackey

attempted to take cover and ran towards his vehicle to get his firearm. He then contacted police and described the getaway vehicle.

Assistant Solicitor Fretwell also told the Court that Greenville Police Department officers stopped a vehicle, matching the description given by Mackey, at approximately 4:12 am, GPD officers stopped a vehicle, matching the description given by Mackey, and found Scott, Pinson and Hines inside. Also inside, police found a handgun and loose ammunition of the same caliber as a shell casing found in the roadway area at the site of the home invasion on E. Castle Drive. Although he initially denied being involved, Pinson eventually admitted to being a part of the home invasion. He told police the home invasion was Hines' idea and that Hines was affiliated with the "Sex, Money, Murder" street gang. Scott also confirmed Hines' gang involvement. Pinson admitted that he and Scott entered the residence and were both armed, an account Scott later confirmed. Pinson said the goal of the burglary was the theft of guns and claimed that "nobody was supposed to be home" though he could not explain why he was armed with a semi-automatic weapon and Scott was armed with a handgun.

According to Wilkins, Scott, Pinson and Hines will serve at least eighty-five percent of their sentences due to South Carolina's "Truth in Sentencing" law.