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Greenville Man Convicted of Carjacking Without Great Bodily Harm

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that JOSEPH CHAPPELL, age 49, was convicted on April 11, 2018 by a Greenville County jury of Carjacking Without Great Bodily Harm, and sentenced to 15 years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections by the Honorable Judge Roger L. Couch. JOSEPH CHAPPELL will have to serve at least 85 % of the 15 year sentence before he becomes eligible for parole

Evidence presented at the trial by Assistant Solicitor Brann Fowler established that on March 5, 2017, JOSEPH CHAPPELL was offered a ride by the victim, who JOSEPH CHAPPELL then beat with a metal object striking him in the head. MR. CHAPPELL then threw the victim from his vehicle leaving him stranded on the road without his crutches or knee brace. A Greenville county deputy observed the injured victim and began talking with him. While talking with the deputy, the victim saw the defendant drive past them in the stolen vehicle. The deputy pursued and apprehended the defendant a short distance away.