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**PRESS RELEASE**  
**For Immediate Release**

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**Man Sentenced in Armed Robbery of Cab Driver and Autobreaking**

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that Edward Lorenzo David pled guilty on February 13, 2013, to Attempted Armed Robbery, Possessing a Weapon During a Violent Crime, and an unrelated Autobreaking. The Honorable R. Lawton McIntosh sentenced Davis to twenty (20) years, suspended on the service of twelve (12) years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections followed by five years of probation when he is released from prison.

Evidence presented at the hearing by Assistant Solicitor Allen Fretwell established that Davis approached a cab driver who was stopped at an ATM on Poinsett Highway in Greenville around 1:15 a.m. on July 20, 2011. Davis pointed a handgun at the victim and demanded "everything" from the victim. The victim gave Davis a few dollar bills that he had stuffed above his visor. Davis was located by police in the Cherrydale Shopping Center which is in the immediate vicinity of the incident location. The victim positively identified Davis as the man who had robbed him. The loaded gun Davis had used was stuffed down the front of his pants when he was captured by police, and he was found to be in possession of over \$100 in cash. Davis also pled guilty to breaking into a vehicle and stealing a gun approximately one month before the robbery.

Since one of Davis' charges carries a maximum sentence of twenty years or more, Davis will not be eligible for parole and will be required to serve at least eighty-five (85) percent of his sentence, according to Wilkins.