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Marietta Man Sentenced on Kidnapping and Aggravated Domestic Violence

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that LARRY DALE SIMPSON, age 50, pled guilty on February 15, 2012 to kidnapping and Criminal Domestic Violence of a High and Aggravated Nature. The Honorable Judge Edward Miller sentenced LARRY DALE SIMPSON to six years for aggravated domestic violence and twenty years, suspended to upon the completion of six years and probation, to run concurrently. LARRY DALE SIMPSON will serve 85% of his sentence in the South Carolina Department of Corrections.

Evidence presented at trial by Assistant Solicitor Judy Munson established that on February 18, 2011 the Greenville County Sheriff's deputies were called to the home of SIMPSON'S live-in girlfriend. Upon arriving at the residence, the deputies witnessed LARRY DALE SIMPSON forcing the victim out of the home while harmed with a large stick. The victim and a witness stated that LARRU DALE SIMPSON came to the residence angry. LARRY DALE SIMPSON stuck the victim on the head with a large stick and brandished what she believed was a semi automatic pistol and ordered her to go with him. Deputies took LARRY DALE SIMPSON into custody upon which they discovered the weapon was actually a BB gun.