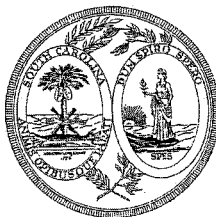


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Greenville Man Sentenced on Retirement Home Assaults

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that Michael Dewitt Morgan, age 57, pled guilty on January 18, 2012 before the Honorable D. Garrison Hill to four counts of Assault and Battery 1st Degree (a violation of South Carolina code 01-03-0600(C)) and one count of Burglary 2nd Degree (a violation of South Carolina Code 16-11-312). Michael Dewitt Morgan was sentenced to fifteen years, suspended on the service of seven years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections, followed by two years probation. In addition, Judge Hill placed Michael Dewitt Morgan on the sexual offender registry.

Evidence presented at the plea hearing by assistant solicitor Mark Moyer established that on February 25 and Mar. 17, 2011, Michael Dewitt Morgan entered Magnolia Manor, a retirement home located on Ansel Street in Greenville, and inappropriately touched several residents. After complaints by two of the victims he was identified and stopped by personnel at the home the second time he came. The case was investigated by Collis Flavell of the Greenville Police Department.