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CARBONDALE MAN INDICTED FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT

A Jackson County Grand Jury returned a six count indictment against a Carbondale man on Thursday, March 12, 2015, charging him with three counts of Sexual Assault, one count of Aggravated Battery on a Police Officer, one count of Attempting to Disarm a Police Officer, and one count of Attempted Escape for offenses which occurred in Carbondale on February 22, 2015, the States Attorney for Jackson County, Michael C. Carr, announced today.

Terrance Godfrey, 42, of Carbondale, Ill., made a first appearance in Jackson County Circuit Court on those charges this morning, Friday, March 13, 2015, and has been in custody since February 22, 2015. He will remain in custody pending trial which is to be set by the court. Godfrey faces a minimum six years' sentence and a potential maximum sentence of 60 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections on each offense, except for the attempted escape charge, which carries a potential two to five year term of imprisonment and is probationable.

Under the law, a defendant is presumed to be innocent of a charge until proved guilty beyond a reasonable doubt to the satisfaction of a jury.

The investigation was conducted by the Carbondale Police Department. State's Attorney Michael Carr and Assistant State's Attorney Rebecca Blomer are handling the prosecution.