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THOMAS HUDSON, CARBONDALE, SENTENCED TO THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR RETAIL THEFT

Michael C. Carr, Jackson County State's Attorney, announced today that a Carbondale resident, Thomas Hudson, was sentenced to the Illinois Department of Corrections for four (4) counts of Retail Theft following a plea of guilty. He was sentenced on Thursday, October 6, 2016, to three (3) years of incarceration for the Retail Thefts followed by one (1) year of mandatory supervised release.

On September 11, 2016, officers of the Carbondale Police Department responded to a retail theft complaint made by the Loss Prevention Department of Kohl's Department Store located on Giant City Road, Carbondale. The suspect had reportedly stolen several items of jewelry and was last seen riding a white bicycle northbound on Giant City Road. Based on the description given, officers located the suspect and found in his possession several items which still had the store price tags attached. Further investigation revealed that the items in Hudson's possession had been stolen earlier that day from several area stores including Old Navy, RUE 21, Walmart, and Kohl's. The defendant was taken into custody and transported to the Carbondale Police Department. There he admitted to taking all of the items in question from various Carbondale stores and that he intended to continue stealing items from other locations in Carbondale until he got caught.

This case was investigated by the Carbondale Police Department. Assistant State's Attorney Abigail Dinn was responsible for the prosecution of this case.