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## **JAMES MOODY, CARBONDALE, SENTENCED TO DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR AGGRAVATED DOMESTIC BATTERY**

Michael C. Carr, Jackson County State's Attorney, announced today that James H. Moody, 27, was sentenced to the Illinois Department of Corrections for charges of Aggravated Domestic Battery.

On July 19, 2015, Carbondale Police officers were dispatched to a local business in response to witnesses reporting they observed the defendant strike and drag a female across the business's parking lot. When officers arrived, the victim, Moody's girlfriend, advised that Moody had struck her in the head, which knocked her to the pavement. He then placed her in a headlock and dragged her across the parking lot causing her to lose consciousness. Officers observed visible injuries to the victim and several eyewitnesses corroborated her account of the incident.

In November 2015, Moody pled guilty to Aggravated Domestic Battery, a Class 2 Felony, and was placed on 30 months' probation, with certain terms imposed by the Court with which he was to comply. On May 13, 2018, Moody admitted that he had violated the terms as ordered. After a sentencing hearing on held on July 10, 2018, Moody's probation was revoked, and he was re-sentenced to serve forty-two (42) months in the Illinois Department of Corrections, followed by a four -year period of Mandatory Supervised Release upon his release from prison.

The Carbondale Police Department conducted the investigation of this case. Assistant State's Attorney Penny J. Pierson was responsible for the prosecution of this case.