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JONATHAN CRUSE, MURPHYSBORO, SENTENCED TO DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR AGGRAVATED BATTERY

Michael C. Carr, Jackson County State's Attorney, announced today that Jonathan Scott Cruse, 33, Murphysboro, was sentenced to the Illinois Department of Corrections after entering into a negotiated disposition on a Petition to Revoke his Probation.

On May 9, 2017, Jackson County Sheriff's Department investigated a report of a battery which occurred at the Jackson County Jail. The defendant, who was incarcerated at the jail, repeatedly struck another inmate.

Cruse pled guilty to the charge of Aggravated Battery, a Class 3 Felony, on December 18, 2017, and was sentenced to thirty (30) months' probation. When Cruse failed to comply with the terms of his probation, a Petition to Revoke his Probation was filed. On November 5, 2018, Cruse entered an admission to the Petition to Revoke and was resentenced to serve three (3) years in the Illinois Department of Corrections, followed by a one (1) year period of Mandatory Supervised Release. This sentence will be served concurrently with Union County, Illinois, charges for which the defendant was also sentenced to the Department of Corrections.

The investigation was conducted by the Jackson County Sheriff's Department. Assistant State's Attorney Penny J. Pierson was responsible for the prosecution of this case.