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**DESHAWN MATTHEWS CARBONDALE, SENTENCED  
THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS  
FOR HOME INVASION**

Michael C. Carr, Jackson County State's Attorney, announced today that on February 26, 2019, DeShawn Matthews, 25, of Carbondale, Illinois, pled guilty to the charge of Home Invasion, a Class X Felony, and was sentenced to serve six (6) years in the Illinois Department of Corrections, followed by a three (3) year period of Mandatory Supervised Release.

On November 26, 2017, shortly before 7:00 a.m., the resident of an apartment located on Oak Street in Carbondale opened the door to leave for work and found DeShawn Matthews standing directly outside. Matthews pushed the resident back inside and rushed into the residence while carrying a stick or club in his hand. Upon hearing screams, another resident within the home awakened and Matthews fled. Matthews was apprehended by the Carbondale Police Department later that morning.

The investigation was conducted by the Carbondale Police Department. Assistant State's Attorney Rebecca L. Blomer was responsible for the prosecution of this case.