



JACKSON COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY

Michael C. Carr, State's Attorney

Jackson County Courthouse • 1001 Walnut • Third Floor • Murphysboro, IL 62966
(618) 687-7200 • FAX (618) 687-7215

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Michael C. Carr, State's Attorney

Thursday, August 22, 2019

ALPHONZO HIGGINS, CARBONDALE, SENTENCED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR ROBBERY

Michael C. Carr, Jackson County State's Attorney, announced today that Alphonzo Higgins, 49, of Carbondale, Illinois, was found guilty of Robbery by a Jackson County Jury in May 2019. On August 22, 2019, he was sentenced to serve fifteen (15) years in the Illinois Department of Corrections, followed by a three (3) year period of Mandatory Supervised Release. The offense of Robbery is a Class 2 Felony; however, due to the prior criminal history of Higgins, the sentencing range for the Class 2 Felony was enhanced to that of a Class X offense. A Class X felony has a sentencing range from 6 to 30 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

In the early morning hours of February 1, 2019, Higgins, together with Jimmie Stinson, followed two individuals on foot from an ATM on Main Street in Carbondale to the 300 block of South Marion Street. Higgins and Stinson then physically attacked the two individuals, forcing them to surrender their property. The attack was captured on video surveillance.

On August 8, 2019, for his involvement, Jimmie Stinson was sentenced to serve five (5) years in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

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