



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, February 27, 2020

MICHAEL OLIVER, JR, CARBONDALE, SENTENCED TO DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR THREATENING A PUBLIC OFFICIAL

Michael C. Carr, Jackson County State's Attorney, announced today that Michael Oliver, Jr., 41, of Carbondale, Illinois, was sentenced to the Illinois Department of Corrections for threatening a public official.

On April 9, 2019, Carbondale police were dispatched to Schnucks at 915 West Main Street, Carbondale, in reference to a criminal trespass to property in progress. Upon arrival, Officer Ashley Noto observed Michael Oliver, who was shirtless, in the foyer of the store, video-taping customers and employees without their permission. A Schnucks Store Manager had asked Mr. Oliver to put on his shirt or leave the premises approximately ten times without compliance from Mr. Oliver. Officers also asked Mr. Oliver to leave the premises multiple times with no compliance. Mr. Oliver then walked through the foyer doors and plugged his phone into the outside outlet and began to sit down. The officers told Mr. Oliver that he was being placed under arrest for trespass. Once Mr. Oliver was inside the squad car, he became irate and began cursing and yelling at the officers. While being transported to the Jackson County Jail, Michael Oliver threatened an officer with his life.

On December 17, 2019, a jury returned verdicts of guilty for Threatening a Public Official (Class 3 Felony) and Criminal Trespass, a Class B Misdemeanor.

On February 25, 2020, Oliver was resentenced to serve seven and one-half (7 ½) years in the Illinois Department of Corrections for the charge of Threatening a Public Official, which will be followed by a one (1) year period of Mandatory Supervised Release.

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