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Armed Robber Sentenced to Life Without Parole

Charleston, S.C. – June 14, 2012, a Charleston County jury has found 20 year old Marvin Bowens Green guilty of committing armed robbery at a convenience store in Ravenel, South Carolina on the morning of December 24, 2010. Green was sentenced to a term of life without the possibility of parole because this was his second conviction for armed robbery. He received his first conviction on June 24, 2011, when a different Charleston County jury found him guilty of a 2008 armed robbery at a convenience store in Hollywood, SC. Green has pending charges for a 2008 Armed Robbery in Charleston County as well as a 2009 Armed Robbery in Colleton County.

On December 24, 2010, at approximately 7:45 a.m., Green walked into the Sunoco gas station and convenience store at 5737 Savannah Highway wearing sunglasses and a hoodie up over the top of his head. He pointed a gun at the cashier and demanded all of the money from the register. Despite a thin disguise, the cashier recognized Green as a regular customer he had seen approximately two to three times a week for approximately a year prior to the robbery. The store was equipped with a video surveillance system which captured the entire robbery on video.

The four day trial case was prosecuted by Assistant Solicitor Rutledge DuRant. "The case was based on eyewitnesses who knew the defendant, including the victim and his wife, who also worked at the store and knew the man as a regular customer."

Solicitor Scarlett Wilson praised the efforts of law enforcement in the case. "Because of the hard work and dedication of Det. Charles Lawrence and many others in the Charleston County Sheriff's Office who worked on this case, we were able to present a substantial case to the jury and we are thankful for their verdict."