

News Release

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Charleston County Jury Convicts Ronald Steed of Criminal Domestic Violence—4th Offense.

Charleston, S.C. – On November 20, 2013, a Charleston County jury found Ronald Steed, (DOB 3/19/1958) guilty of Criminal Domestic Violence regarding a May 12th, attack on his wife.

On May 12, 2013, the victim was attacked by her husband while in the bathroom of their marital home. The victim suffered a blow to the left side of her face; and withstood verbal harassment and pushing while struggling to get out the bathroom and to a phone in order to call 911.

Two separate 911 calls documented the immediate aftermath of the assault, as well as the defendant's return and attempts to enter the home after police initially responded to the call for help.

Assistant Solicitors, Shannon Elliott and Timmy Finch prosecuted the offender. "This conviction would not have been possible were it not for the bravery of the victim to stand up to the man who has been abusing her for over a decade," said Assistant Solicitor Elliott. Law enforcement responded quickly and appropriately. Their efforts in documenting the scene were critical to this prosecution.

The jury returned its verdict late Wednesday afternoon. Sentencing is to take place on Friday, November 22, at issue is whether or not Steed's prior convictions may be used to enhance his sentence.

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