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Woman Convicted in Mount Pleasant Stabbing

Charleston, S.C. – May 2, 2023. -- Solicitor Scarlett Wilson announced that on Wednesday, April 24, 2023, a Charleston County jury found Nyasia Marie Grant (DOB 9/8/1995) guilty of assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature and possession of a weapon during the commission of a violent crime. The jury reached its verdict Wednesday afternoon following the third day of trial. Grant was represented by the Public Defender's Office and faced a maximum sentence of twenty years on the assault charge. Following the verdict, Presiding Judge Thomas Cooper, sentenced her to five years on both charges. Pursuant to statute, Grant must serve the entirety of that sentence.

Prosecutors Phillip Abshire and Jordan Norvell presented the case against Grant, recounting the graphic details of the assault. The jury learned that on September 19, 2019, the victim was checking out of the Refuel gas station on Venning Road in Mt. Pleasant when she was first confronted by Grant. As Grant continued to berate the victim inside the store, she knocked items from the victim's hands as the victim and the clerks watched in confusion. The victim recounted that she waited in the store for a few moments after this first attack but then made her way to her car outside. It was then that Grant attacked her with a serrated steak knife. The jury viewed numerous pictures of the wound as they learned that this attack could have taken the victim's life with her having been stabbed in the left side of her torso.

Assistant Solicitor Jordan Norvell presented the testimony of the victim's treating physician from Roper St. Francis. The doctor highlighted the multiple layers of injury due to the depth of the stabbing. Additionally, the doctor noted that Grant missed the victim's brachial artery by only a few inches. If the victim had not turned in self-defense, the outcome would have been even more dire.

The jury heard the efforts the victim made to stop the bleeding: she was able to apply a makeshift tourniquet and the jury viewed photos of the blood trail she left behind. When asked, the victim emphasized to the jury that the only pain she had ever experienced close to that day was giving birth to her three children. The victim stated she is beyond thankful to have not been taken from them.

The Ninth Circuit Solicitor's Office is extremely appreciative for the diligent work of both Mount Pleasant Police Department and the witnesses who provided the testimony necessary to bring about this conviction.