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Notice of Sentencing

Convicted Rapist to Serve 25 Years in Prison without Parole, Followed by Life on Probation
State vs. Ryan Daniel Borden

April 25, 2025 – District Attorney Susan K. Treadaway announces that on April 24, Superior Court Judge Jennifer L. Davis sentenced convicted rapist Ryan Daniel Borden, 29, of Canton, to 25 years in prison without the possibility of parole, followed by life on probation with sex offender special conditions. A Cherokee County jury found Borden guilty following a five-day trial that ended on March 21.

The charges stem from a Nov. 6, 2021 incident in a Canton apartment, where Borden raped a woman who later reported the assault to the Canton Police Department. Borden was an acquaintance of the victim.

During the March 17-21 trial, the State presented 26 exhibits, including forensic evidence, jail calls, and crime scene photographs. The State also called seven witnesses, among them a 911 caller, law enforcement officers, a sexual assault nurse, and a forensic biologist from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation.

“Tragically, the victim passed away of natural causes before trial and was unable to testify,” said Assistant District Attorney Meaghan Frankish, of the Special Victims Unit. “Still, we were able to move forward with the case using her prior statements and interviews. Our role is not only to seek justice for individual victims, but also to protect the broader community.”

At the sentencing, Judge Davis also ordered Borden to have no contact with named witnesses or the victim’s family and barred him from returning to Cherokee County.

“The jury carefully weighed the evidence and ultimately found this defendant guilty,” said District Attorney Susan K. Treadaway. “Through the diligent efforts of the law enforcement and medical professionals involved in the investigation, the victim’s voice was heard. This sentence ensures that the defendant is removed from society before he can do further harm.”

The case was investigated by Canton Police Department and prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Meaghan Frankish, of the Special Victims Unit, Office of the District Attorney, Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit.

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