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Woodstock Man Sentenced to Prison for Armed Domestic Violence and False Imprisonment
State vs. William Scott Kirk II

May 1, 2025 – District Attorney Susan K. Treadaway announces that William Scott Kirk II, 35, of Woodstock, entered a negotiated guilty plea on April 25 to multiple felony charges stemming from a domestic violence incident involving his girlfriend.

After pleading guilty to family violence aggravated assault, false imprisonment, possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony, and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon during the commission of a felony, Kirk was sentenced to 35 years, with the first 10 years to be served in prison and the remainder on probation. Special conditions of the sentence include no contact with the victim, participation in a Family Violence Intervention Program, and evaluation and treatment for mental health and substance abuse.

“This case is a stark reminder of the danger victims of domestic violence face, especially when firearms are involved,” said Assistant District Attorney Macelyne A. Williams, of the Domestic Violence Unit, who prosecuted this case on behalf of the State. “This victim survived a frightening ordeal, and I commend her strength and bravery.”

At the plea hearing, ADA Williams summarized the facts of the case. On May 20, 2024, inside an Alta Ridgewalk apartment, Kirk and his girlfriend were involved in a verbal argument that escalated into a physical altercation. The girlfriend left the apartment and sought assistance from friends.

She later returned to the apartment with the friends to pick up her dog and retrieve some personal belongings, intending to stay elsewhere until the situation calmed. Kirk allowed her to enter the apartment while the friends waited outside with the door propped open. Once she was inside, Kirk retrieved a handgun, pulled the victim into the living room, closed and locked the front door, and prevented her from leaving. The friends, who saw the firearm and heard the victim’s screams for help, immediately called 911.

The Woodstock Police Department and Cherokee Sheriff’s Office responded to the scene, with assistance from Holly Springs Police Department. CSO’s Hostage Negotiation Team attempted to establish contact with Kirk, but he refused to communicate. Attempts to speak with the woman inside the apartment were also unsuccessful. Hours after the incident began, SWAT officers entered the residence, arrested Kirk, and safely rescued the victim. Five firearms were later recovered from the apartment during the execution of a search warrant.

“The explosive rage of this defendant posed a substantial risk to the safety of the victim and surrounding residents of the apartment complex,” said District Attorney Susan K. Treadaway. “We are grateful for the swift and coordinated response of our law enforcement agencies that ensured the victim’s safe rescue and protected our community as a whole.”

This case was investigated by Cherokee Sheriff's Office and Woodstock Police Department, with assistance from Holly Springs Police Department. It was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Macelyne A. Williams, of the Domestic Violence Unit, Office of the District Attorney, Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit.

If you or someone you know is impacted by domestic violence, please contact the Cherokee Family Violence Center, CFVC.org, 770-479-1703 (24/7 crisis hotline). In case of an emergency, call 911.

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