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Winnebago County State's Attorney J. Hanley announces that the Honorable Judge Randy Wilt sentenced **Jeffrey Primm (DOB: 10/7/1957)** to a total of 40 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections followed by four years of Mandatory Supervised Release. Primm was found guilty of four counts of Aggravated Domestic Battery, one count of Aggravated Battery, one count of Unlawful Restraint, and two counts of Domestic Battery after a jury trial in front Judge Wilt in January.

In August of 2015, Rockton Police and Rockford Police Detectives launched an investigation after a woman came forward with multiple complaints of domestic battery. She told police that on many occasions the defendant, Jeffrey Primm, physically assaulted her. In addition to being beaten with objects including a belt, the victim was kicked, punched, slapped, threatened and strangled by Primm. The victim was also forced to sleep in an unheated shed in the back yard, without clothing or blankets except for those she was able to hide and smuggle in. The abuse occurred at different locations in Winnebago County from 2013 to 2015 when it was finally reported.

Aggravated Domestic Battery is a Class 2 Felony that is punishable by a sentence of 3-14 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections followed by four years of Mandatory Supervised Release. Primm was convicted on four counts of Aggravated Domestic Battery for four separate incidents of abuse. He was sentenced to 10 years on each count which will be served consecutively at 85%. He will also be on Mandatory Supervised Release for four years after he gets out of prison.

Aggravated Battery is a Class 3 Felony that is punishable by a sentence of 2-10 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections followed by six months of Mandatory Supervised Release. Primm was convicted of one count of Aggravated Battery. He was sentenced to five years in the Illinois Department of Corrections followed by six months of Mandatory Supervised Release. This sentence will be served at 50% and run concurrently to the other sentences.

Unlawful Restraint is a Class 4 Felony that is punishable by a sentence of 1-6 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections followed by six months of Mandatory Supervised Release. Primm was convicted of one count of Unlawful Restraint. He was sentenced to three years in the



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Illinois Department of Corrections followed by six months of Mandatory Supervised Release. The sentence will be served at 50% and run concurrently to the other sentences.

Domestic Battery is a Class A Misdemeanor that is punishable by a sentence of up to a year in the Winnebago County Jail. Primm was convicted of two counts of Domestic Battery for two separate incidents of abuse.

The Rockton and Rockford Police Departments conducted the investigation in this case. Assistant State's Attorneys Alison Meason and Emily Palmer handled the prosecution.

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