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Winnebago County State's Attorney J. Hanley announces that **Alex M. Boose (DOB: 10/22/1987)** was found guilty of Attempt First Degree Murder, Aggravated Battery with a Firearm and Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm after a three day jury trial before the Honorable Judge John Gibbons. The jury also found the firearm enhancements were proven beyond a reasonable doubt.

On September 14, 2024, Rockford Police Officers responded to the area of 325 Cameron Ave reference a call for a male being shot in the parking lot. An adult male, later identified as Drequan Friar, was suffering from gunshot wounds to his lower abdomen and ankle. Friar was taken to the hospital for treatment of his injuries. During the trial, witnesses told the jury that the defendant, Alex Boose was responsible for the shooting. In surveillance video, you can see a dark SUV pull up to the scene. The driver then shoots three times at Drequan Friar and then three more times at people who were fleeing the scene. Drequan Friar identified Boose from a photo lineup as the person who shot him.

Attempt First Degree Murder is a Class X Felony that is punishable by a sentence of 6-30 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections followed by three years of mandatory supervised release. The defendant is eligible for an additional term of 15 years up to natural life in prison for the firearm enhancements. Truth in sentencing applies at 85%.

Aggravated Battery with a Firearm is a Class X Felony that is punishable by a sentence of 6-30 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections followed by three years of mandatory supervised release. Truth in sentencing applies at 85%.

Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm is a Class 1 Felony that is punishable by a sentence of 4-15 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections followed by two years of mandatory supervised release. Truth in sentencing applies at 85%.

Boose is scheduled to be back in court on October 2, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. before Judge Gibbons in Courtroom D of the Winnebago County Criminal Justice Center.

The Rockford Police Department conducted the investigation in this case. Assistant State's Attorneys Alison Meason and Joseph Carder are handling the prosecution.



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