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Winnebago County State's Attorney J. Hanley announces that the Honorable Judge Scott Paccagnini sentenced **Ricky J. Guinyard (DOB: 1/13/1988)** to a total of 50 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections for Aggravated Battery with a Firearm, Armed Robbery, and Unlawful Possession of a Firearm by a Repeat Felony Offender. Guinyard will also be on mandatory supervised release for three years after he is released from prison. The defendant was convicted of the offenses after a jury trial before Judge Paccagnini in January. The sentence must be served at 85%.

In the early morning hours of December 25th, 2023, Rockford Police Officers responded to the 1300 block of Broadway in reference to a shooting victim. Upon arrival, Officers located an adult male victim, suffering from a gunshot wound. He was transported to a Rockford hospital to be treated. The victim reported that a vehicle pulled up next to him and Ricky Guinyard, demanded his belongings. After the victim refused, Guinyard shot him and took his jewelry. The shooting was also captured on video surveillance. Guinyard has previous felony convictions from 2006, 2012 and 2016.

The Rockford Police Department conducted the investigation in this case. Assistant State's Attorneys Luke Ranard and Kris Carpenter handled the prosecution.

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