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Winnebago County State's Attorney J. Hanley announces that on November 6, 2023, the Honorable Judge Debra Schafer sentenced **Geround Brown (DOB: 8/14/89)** to 20 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections for two counts of the offense of Aggravated Battery with Firearm.

On August 16, 2022, officers with the Rockford Police Department responded to an address on College Ave for a report of a shooting victim. Officers located a minor, T.W., who had been shot through the arm and the bullet went into his lower back. Officers subsequently located another shooting victim, Cassie Townsend, inside an address on South 4th Street. Townsend had been shot in the leg. Witnesses told officers that Townsend's husband had shot her and then shot T.W.

Aggravated Battery with Firearm is a Class X felony punishable by 6-30 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections. Aggravated Battery with Firearm is served at 85% with a Mandatory Supervised Release term of 3 years.

The Rockford Police Department conducted the investigation in this case. Assistant State's Attorney Alison Meason handled the prosecution.

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