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EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
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John Thomason Indicted for Attempted Murder and Assault of a Police Officer:

(Columbiana) – John Russell Thomason was indicted by a Shelby County Grand Jury for the attempted murder and assault of two Shelby County Deputies on March 22nd, 2023. “We are going to pursue the charges brought to us by the Grand Jury vigorously,” said District Attorney Matt Casey. “There is no place for violence against law enforcement in our society and we will not stand for it here in Shelby County,” added Casey. If convicted of these charges Thomason will face a sentence between 10 years up to a life sentence. Thomason is being held in the Shelby County Jail. An initial court date has not been set. As always, the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.