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RE: RAYMOND CARTY FOUND GUILTY OF DOMESTIC ASSAULT IN

THE SECOND DEGREE

OZARK, MO – The Christian County Prosecuting Attorney's Office announced today that Raymond L. Carty III, dob: 7/30/1979 of Ozark, Missouri was found guilty of the class C felony of domestic assault in the second degree after jury trial on March 19-20, 2012. The trial was presided over by the Honorable Mark Orr. Defendant was then taken into custody with a \$50,000 cash/surety bond.

On May 6, 2011, officers were dispatched to a location in Ozark, Christian County, Missouri for a domestic disturbance. Officers made contact with victim L.J. who was standing in the front yard of the residence. L.J. stated that her and her live-in boyfriend had been arguing. L.J. stated that she was standing at the sink in her kitchen when defendant picked up a boiling pot of water and poured it onto her neck and shoulders. Officers noted redness to her neck and shoulders. L.J. was treated at a local hospital for first and second degree burns. Defendant stated that he and L.J. had been arguing when he accidently burned her with he picked up a pot of boiling water off of the stove.

Sentencing is set for May 4, 2012 at 1:00 pm. The range of punishment for a class C felony is one day to one year in the Christian County Jail or two years to seven years in the Department of Corrections and/or up to a \$5000 fine.