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RE: FOUR CONSECUTIVE LIFE SENTENCES FOR BRIAN WILLIAMS

OZARK, MO – The Christian County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office announced that on March, 23, 2016, BRIAN DANE WILLIAMS – DOB: 8-1-1989 formerly of Sparta, MO, appeared in front of Special Judge Calvin Holden and pleaded guilty as a prior and persistent felony offender to four counts of murder in the first degree, four counts of armed criminal action, one count of tampering with a motor vehicle and one count of stealing a firearm. Pursuant to the terms of a plea agreement, Williams was sentenced to a life sentence without the possibility of probation or parole in the Missouri Department of Corrections on each of the charges of murder in the first degree, five (5) years in the Missouri Department of Corrections for each of the armed criminal action charges, fifteen (15) years in the Missouri Department of Corrections for the tampering with a motor vehicle charge and fifteen (15) years in the Missouri Department of Corrections for the stealing a firearm charge. The four life sentences run consecutively for a total sentence of four (4) consecutive life sentences without the possibility of probation or parole. The other counts are to be served concurrently.

Murder in the First Degree is a class A felony. The only available punishment for murder in the first degree is death or a life sentence without the possibility of probation or parole.

Armed Criminal Action is an unclassified felony. The punishment is a term not less than three years in the Missouri Department of Corrections. It requires three years to be served before a person is eligible for parole, probation or conditional release.

Tampering with a Motor Vehicle and Stealing a Firearm are both class C felonies. As a prior and persistent offender this enhances the maximum punishment to that of a B felony. Thus the range of punishment for each offense is incarceration up to 15 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections and/or a fine up to \$5,000.

This case was investigated by the Christian County Sheriff’s Office and the Missouri State Highway Patrol. The prosecution was handled by Prosecuting Attorney Amy Fite
