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### MICHAEL BURGESS FOUND GUILTY OF UNLAWFUL USE OF WEAPON

Michael Burgess, age 40 from Springfield, Mo, was found guilty of the Class D felony for unlawful use of a weapon following a day and half bench trial heard by the Honorable Laura Johnson, Presiding Circuit Judge for Christian County, Missouri. A sentence assessment report has been ordered with sentencing set for June 8, 2017.

According to the testimony, the defendant drew his firearm and pointed it at his ex-wife and her family on his ex-wife's property. The defendant threatened to blow their heads off. The defendant and victims were outside the front door and porch of the ex-wife's residence. The case was prosecuted by John L. Young, Senior Assistant Christian County Prosecuting Attorney. The case was investigated by the Christian County Sheriff Office with assistance from the Ozark Police Department.