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## Man Convicted for Shooting at Greenville Police Department Officers.

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins office stated today that <u>Patrick Dean Lowrance</u>, age 27 was convicted of two counts of Attempted Murder, Possession of a Weapon During the Commission of a Violent Crime and Failure to Stop by a Greenville County Jury on Thursday January 10, 2013. The Honorable Letitia H. Verdin sentenced Lowrance to 28 years. Lowrance will have to serve at least 85% of his sentence before he is eligible for parole.

Evidence presented at the trial by assistant deputy solicitor Lucas Marchant established that on October 28, 2011, <u>Patrick Dean Lowrance</u> was in a stolen vehicle at the Comfort Inn on Laurens Road. Greenville PD attempted to conduct a traffic stop on him on I-85 whereupon he failed to stop and fled to the Berkley Pointe Apartments on Winwood Road. Officer Taci Cobb located the vehicle at the apartment complex and was backed up by Officer Charles Lane. Their investigation led them to the stairwell of the 1300 building where they both received gunfire from Lowrance. Cobb returned fire and Lowrance was struck in the upper left shoulder area. Evidence collected at the scene consisted of Fingerprints, DNA, Ballistics, as well as various personal belongings of Lowrance.

The case fell under the jurisdiction of the Greenville City Police Department. Detective Tim Conroy was the lead detective in the case.