

State of South Carolina
Solicitor, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit

Telephone: 864-467-8647
Telefax: 864-467-8610



Greenville County Courthouse
305 E. North Street, Suite 325
Greenville, SC 29601-2185

Solicitor
W. WALTER WILKINS

PRESS RELEASE
For Immediate Release
July 14, 2011

MAN SENTENCED TO LIFE WITHOUT PAROLE FOR ARMED ROBBERY

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that ANTHONY M. LOUNDS, age 39, was convicted at trial on July 13, 2011 of Armed Robbery and Possession of a Weapon During the Commission of a Violent Crime, violations of South Carolina Code Sections 16-11-330 and 16-23-490. The Honorable C. Victor Pyle, Jr. sentenced Lounds to life in the South Carolina Department of Corrections without the possibility of parole.

Evidence presented at trial by Assistant Solicitors George Campbell and Sloan Ellis established that on September 5, 2009, Lounds robbed a man at gun-point at the Motel 6 on Bruce Road in Greenville County. During the robbery, Lounds took the victim's wallet, cash and checkbook. The next day, he used the victim's checks at the Ingles at Cherrydale Point and was captured on the store's video surveillance system. Lounds was arrested after a separate shoplifting offense on September 27, 2009 and found to be in possession of the same gun that he used in the September 5th armed robbery.

These incidents were part of a crime spree by Lounds which included two armed robberies, strong arm robbery, first degree burglary, grand larceny, two forgeries, resisting arrest and various gun related offenses.