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Man Sentenced to 13 ½ Years for Attempted Murder

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that Demetrius Antwon Henry, 18, pled guilty on April 10, 2018, to Attempted Murder, Possessing a Weapon During the Commission of a Violent Crime and Auto-breaking. The Honorable Letitia H. Verdin sentenced Henry to thirteen and one-half (13.5) years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections.

Evidence presented at the hearing by Assistant Solicitor Allen Fretwell established that shortly before 1:00 am on April 21, 2017, Daryl Cloud was awakened by his roommate, who had seen someone outside their residence and in Cloud's car. Cloud went to the door and could see a white male and a black male rummaging around in his Chevrolet S-10 pickup. As he opened the door and started to step outside, Henry produced a handgun and fired three to four shots, striking the victim multiple times. Cloud's roommate dragged him back inside as Henry and codefendant Preston Harvley fled the scene. Greenville County Sheriff's Office investigators interviewed Cloud in the hospital, and he provided a description of the individuals.

According to Assistant Solicitor Fretwell, investigators discovered Harvley's identity and, though he provided several different stories regarding his own involvement in the incident, Harvley eventually identified this defendant as the shooter. Upon arrest, Henry admitted shooting the victim and the gun he used was located in his bedroom. Wilkins indicated that the Attempted Murder charge to which Henry pled guilty is not parole-eligible.