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Greenville Man Sentenced on Trafficking Cocaine, Trafficking Methamphetamine, Possession of Heroin, and Resisting Arrest

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that WILLIAM ARTHUR SINGLETON, age 36, was convicted on October 20, 2021, by a Greenville County Jury of Trafficking Cocaine, Trafficking Methamphetamine, Possession of Heroin, and Resisting Arrest, and sentenced by the Honorable Edward W. Miller to 15 years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections.

Evidence presented at trial by Assistant Solicitor Hunter Blouin established that on February 19, 2020, a deputy with the Greenville County Sheriff's Office executed a traffic stop on a vehicle driven by WILLIAM ARTHUR SINGLETON. The traffic stop took place in front of the home in which SINGLETON indicated he was visiting. While conducting the traffic stop, the deputy smelled the odor of marijuana and began a search of the vehicle. As the SINGLETON's vehicle was being searched, the Defendant lunged into the driver's seat of the vehicle and began resisting attempts to detain him. During the struggle with SINGLETON, a codefendant, who previously pled guilty to obstruction of justice and accessory after the fact, removed a book bag from the passenger seat of the vehicle and the bag was taken into the home. Once SINGLETON was detained, and the book bag was discovered missing, deputies requested and received a search warrant for the home, where the book bag was recovered. Inside the book bag, 99.33 grams of methamphetamine. 40.93 grams of cocaine, and .61 grams of heroin were discovered.