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Greenville Man Sentenced on Voluntary Manslaughter

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that GREGORY EARL GOSNELL, age 48, pled guilty to Voluntary Manslaughter and was sentenced to 17 and ½ years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections by the Honorable Larry Hyman. GREGORY EARL GOSNELL will have to serve at least 85 % of the 17 and ½ year sentence before he becomes eligible for parole.

Evidence presented at the plea hearing by Assistant Solicitor Bryna Seay established that on November 5, 2010, GREGORY EARL GOSNELL went to the home of the victim, 65-year-old Donald Page, Sr. located at 411 Curtis Road in Greenville County and hit him in the head several times with a maglite flashlight. The defendant then left the victim in a pool of blood and fled the scene. The victim died of blunt force trauma of the head and face. The defendant turned himself in to authorities on November 9, 2010. Investigator Chris Miller with the Greenville County Sheriff's Office investigated this case and found that there had been previous difficulties between the victim and the defendant because of a woman with whom they were both involved.