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GREENVILLE MAN CONVICTED OF DRUG TRAFFICKING

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins stats that ERICK HEWINS, 39, a Greenville resident was convicted by a Greenville County jury of trafficking in cocaine base and possession of a schedule 4 controlled substance on January 17, 2013. Circuit Judge G. Edward Welmaker sentenced Hewins to 1 year on the controlled substance possession charge and 25 years consecutive on the trafficking cocaine base charge.

Evidence presented by Assistant Solicitor Joyce Monts established that on August 9, 2010, Mr. Hewins was in possession of 20.29 grams of cocaine base, more commonly known as crack, as well as 4 clonazepam pills at the Clarion Inn Hotel on Orchard Park Drive. Investigator Scott Gardner and Officer Rachel Hall with the Greenville Police Department investigated this case. Hewins will serve 85% of his sentence before he will be eligible for parole.