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## **Greenville Man Sentenced After Pleading Guilty to Numerous Burglaries**

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that JEFFREY RUSSELL STONE, 49, pled guilty on February 2, 2015 in a Greenville County courtroom to five burglaries and two petit larceny charges. JEFFREY RUSSELL STONE was sentenced by the Honorable Letitia H. Verdin to thirteen years of incarceration in the South Carolina Department of Corrections and ordered to pay restitution of \$8,794.08 to the burglarized convenience store owners.

Evidence presented at the plea hearing by Assistant Solicitor William McMaster established that in the Fall of 2013, JEFFREY RUSSELL STONE broke through the glass front door of numerous convenience stores at night while wearing a mask and gloves, stealing money and cigarettes. The burglaries began in August, 2013, and on October 27, 2013 officers with the Greer Police Department responded to a business alarm call and caught the defendant inside the Spinx convenience store on Suber Road during the commission of the burglary. Members of the Greenville County Sheriff's Office and Greer Police jointly investigated the string of burglaries.