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Greenville Man Sentenced on Murder, Attempted Murder, Burglary 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, Kidnapping, Attempted Armed Robbery (x2), and Possession of a Weapon during Commission of a Violent Crime

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that TIMIYA RASHAD MASSEY, age 29, was convicted on November 8, 2017, by a Greenville County jury of Murder, Attempted Murder, Burglary 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, Kidnapping, Attempted Armed Robbery (x2), and Possession of a Weapon during Commission of a Violent Crime, and sentenced to <u>40 years</u> in the South Carolina Department of Corrections by The Honorable Robin B. Stilwell.

Evidence presented at the trial by Assistant Solicitors Doug Richardson and Ian Conits established that on September 30, 2015, TIMIYA RASHAD MASSEY led a group to an apartment in Greenville County to rob the victims, two brothers, who lived there. When Mr. Massey and his group arrived at the apartment complex, Mr. Massey and his co-defendants put on masks and armed themselves with guns. As Mr. Massey and the co-defendants were approaching the apartment, they attempted to rob another individual and then took him against his will to the front door of the apartment to knock on the door. The door was opened by one of the two brothers living there and Mr. Massey rushed into the apartment to rob them. Mr. Massey shot and killed the man who opened the door and also fired shots at his brother. This case was investigated by H. Christopher Hammett with the Greenville County Sheriff's Office.