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### PRESS RELEASE

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Allen Mack was found guilty yesterday of Battery and Kidnapping as a result of his March attack on his girlfriend. Mack is a repeat felony offender and the decision qualifies him for a sentence of ***Life in Prison*** under Florida sentencing guidelines. Mack spent 4 ½ years in prison from 2003 to 2008 for the severe beating of a prior girlfriend.

In this case, reports show that Mack argued with his girlfriend, forced her into a truck, grabbed a shovel and headed for a remote area where he intended to kill and bury her. The victim escaped when the truck slowed and she ran to a residence where the home owner called police. Mack fled and was arrested about three weeks later at a home where he was hiding.

Assistant State Attorney, Glenn Bryan argued the state's case before a jury of five women and one man. Due to Mack's prior criminal conviction, the Jury had to hear the case in two parts. The first part encompassed the battery and kidnapping. Following those guilty verdicts, the Jury was informed of Mack's prior conviction for Felony Battery with great bodily harm. In a second guilty verdict, the jury acknowledged that crime and Mack's qualification for the enhanced sentencing. Sentencing has been deferred for 30 days so attorneys can prepare.