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### **Commonwealth v. Terrence Wilson Judge Imposes Max Sentence for Violent Domestic-Related Attack**

Colin D. Stolle, Commonwealth's Attorney for the city of Virginia Beach, announced that Terrence Wilson, age 35, previously of the 4500 block of Old Lyne Road in Virginia Beach, Virginia, was sentenced today by Circuit Court Judge James C. Lewis for a charge of Malicious Wounding. Judge Lewis imposed the maximum sentence of twenty (20) years to serve and did not suspend any portion of the sentence.

Wilson was found guilty by Judge Lewis after a bench trial on December 4, 2019. The Commonwealth's evidence proved that on May 2, 2019, the victim, who was previously in a relationship with Wilson, was brutally attacked by him. The victim was at her home when Wilson began to argue with her in the front driveway of her home. During the course of the argument, Wilson picked up a piece of wood and struck the victim on the head with it. The force of the blow caused the victim to fall to the ground. She struck her head against the pavement and was immediately knocked unconscious before beginning to bleed profusely.

When police arrived on scene, they initially believed the victim was dead due to her unconscious state and the amount of blood on the pavement. She was transported to the hospital where she remained unconscious for five (5) days and hospitalized for several weeks. When she awoke, she was confused and terrified about where she was and how she ended up in the hospital. Initially, she had few memories of the assault. She had to relearn to walk, recover her memory, and undergo several surgeries to repair her broken jaw. She continues to suffer from balance and memory issues as well as post-traumatic stress disorder from the attack. Further, the attack has rendered her unable to work which has been financially devastating.

Wilson has prior convictions for Unlawful Wounding, Threatening Language Over the Phone, Assault and Battery Against a Family or Household Member, Assault, Contempt of Court, Destruction of Property (2 counts), Failure to Appear, and felony Probation Violations.