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PRESS RELEASE

William Eddins, State Attorney for the First Judicial Circuit, announced today that Lawrence Bloxson has been sentenced to 30 years state prison on the charges of Home Invasion Robbery, Burglary of a Dwelling with Assault or Battery, Aggravated Battery of a Person 65 Years of Age or Older, Felony Battery and Grand Theft.

The charges arose from an incident which occurred on August 8, 2013 in Niceville. The victims were forced into their home as they arrived home that day. They were both stunned with a taser, the wife forced into the home. The husband was able to break free and run to a neighbor's home and call 911. The wife was also able to break free and escape. During a search of the area, law enforcement was able to locate various clothing items worn by the defendant. The Florida Department of Law enforcement was able to locate DNA on the items which was matched to the defendant. He was arrested in June of 2015.

The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office conducted the investigation. Assistant State Attorney Stephen Bernhardt was responsible for the prosecution. Circuit Judge William F. Stone imposed the sentence. For more information, please contact Mr. Bernhardt at (850) 651-7260.