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Notice of Sentencing

Maximum Sentence for Man Convicted of Terroristic Threats

State vs. Christopher Dean Bowling

June 28, 2024 – District Attorney Susan K. Treadaway announces that on June 21 Superior Court Judge Shannon Wallace sentenced Christopher Dean Bowling, 29, of Waleska, to serve 5 years in prison for one count of terroristic threats and acts. Five years is the maximum sentence allowed by Georgia law for this charge.

In sentencing the defendant, Judge Wallace said that Bowling is not a good candidate for probation because he has repeatedly disregarded prior court rulings ordering no contact with the victim.

Cherokee Sheriff's Office first began investigating domestic violence involving Bowling on July 28, 2023, when deputies responded to a disconnected 911 call from a Waleska home.

The victim in this case told responding officers that she called 911 because Bowling wouldn't let her pack her belongings to leave. She shared a four-minute audio recording of a prior dispute in which she said Bowling strangled her while a child was present. In the recording, deputies heard arguing that became more heated and was then followed by the sound of a scuffle. For the next 30 seconds, the victim was completely silent and did not respond as Bowling screamed obscenities and suggested murder/suicide.

While testifying at the trial, the victim said that during those 30 seconds of silence she was unable to respond because Bowling was strangling her.

Bowling was arrested, indicted, and on trial for three charges (aggravated assault, terroristic threats and acts, and cruelty to children in the third degree). On June 13, at the conclusion of the two-day trial, a jury found Bowling guilty of one count of terroristic threats and acts.

If you or someone you know is in an abusive relationship, please contact Cherokee Family Violence Center at 770-479-1703. In case of emergency, always call 911.

This case was investigated by Cherokee Sheriff's Office and prosecuted by Deputy Chief Assistant District Attorney Rachel Ashe, of the Domestic Violence Unit, Office of the District Attorney, Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit.

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