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Notice of Conviction

**Jury Convicts Man of False Imprisonment, Battery, and Cruelty to Children in the Third Degree
State vs. Desmond Marquis Herbin**

March 30, 2026 – District Attorney Susan K. Treadaway announces that on March 27, a Cherokee County jury convicted Desmond Marquis Herbin of false imprisonment, family violence battery (as a lesser included offense of family violence aggravated assault), cruelty to children in the third degree, and criminal trespass. He was found not guilty of an additional count of cruelty to children in the third degree.

The charges stem from a Canton Police Department investigation that began on November 20, 2023, when officers responded to a domestic dispute at the River Ridge Apartments in Canton.

A woman at the residence told police that she had taken possession of the car keys in an attempt to leave the abusive relationship. Before she and the children could leave, Herbin pushed her against a wall near the front door, took her cell phone, and applied pressure to her neck until she lost consciousness. She ran out of the home and flagged down a passing motorist to call 911.

Police observed visible red marks on the left side of the woman’s neck. Two children were in the living room area near where the altercation occurred.

During the five-day trial, the State called nine witnesses and introduced 18 exhibits, including the 911 call, a video reenactment, patrol body camera footage, and photographs. The jury deliberated for approximately 12 hours before returning its verdict.

The case was investigated by the Canton Police Department. Prosecution was handled by Assistant District Attorney Ashley Snow, of the Domestic Violence Unit, Office of the District Attorney, Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit.

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