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## Defendant Sentenced to Prison for Domestic Violence June 6, 2014

On Friday, June 6, 2014, Frank Hernandez III pled guilty on two charges of Assault Family Violence with previous conviction and was sentenced to six years in the Institutional Division of Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Mr. Hernandez's troubles began on December 29, 2013, when Bryan Police were called out to Rockies night club where a patron observed Mr. Hernandez repeatedly striking a female passenger. He was released on \$5,000 bond on January 24, 2014. He was subsequently arrested for repeatedly striking his wife after a heated argument on May 1, 2014.

Injuries to Hernandez's wife included two broken orbital bones, a fractured nose, severe bruising, and a concussion. Injuries to the female passenger included extensive bruising to her face, including a black eye. After his second arrest, Mr. Hernandez's bond was increased, and he was committed to the county jail to await trial.

Assistant District Attorney Ekuia Assabill prosecuted the case. "This office is passionate about stopping domestic violence and intervening to protect the victims of domestic violence. Domestic abuse affects us all and should not be tolerated in this or any other community. Mr. Hernandez's behavior made him a danger to the women in his life and we are pleased with the outcome of this plea bargain."

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