

## PRESS RELEASE

## Felon Sentenced to Prison for Domestic Violence and Possessing a Gun

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Bryan, TX – Today, following a morning of testimony in the jury trial of Pedro Campos, III, the defendant decided to plead guilty to Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon and Unlawful Possession of a Firearm by a Felon. Campos accepted a sentence of fourteen years with a deadly weapon finding on the Aggravated Assault charge and a sentence of twenty-five years on the Unlawful Possession of a Firearm by a Felon charge. Campos's Aggravated Assault Charge stems from a 2013 assault where the defendant threatened his girlfriend with a knife.

The trial court made an affirmative finding of family violence and a deadly weapon in the case. The deadly weapon finding will require Campos to serve at least half of his fourteen-year sentence for Aggravated Assault before he is eligible for parole. Campos's Unlawful Possession of a Firearm by a Felon charge stems from his behavior after his arrest for the Aggravated Assault charge against his girlfriend. Following his arrest, Campos called his cousin from the jail and asked her to dispose of the firearm he hid in the backyard of his girlfriend's home. Police responded to the house and retrieved a gun from the location Campos described. Campos status of a felon was based on a 2010 conviction for Burglary of a Building. Assistant District Attorneys Jason Goss & John Brick prosecuted the case on behalf of the State of Texas.

Mr. Campos terrorized and beat his girlfriend. This sentence will ensure her safety and will keep him off Brazos County streets.

- Jason Goss, Assistant District Attorney

