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Home Invader Sentenced to 8 years in Prison

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Bryan, TX – Holden Crucet, 24, of Houston, Texas was sentenced to 8 years in prison for the second-degree felony offense of Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon.

On January 31, 2017, officers responded to a call at The Cottages of College Station at 12:40 am in response to a report of a man breaking into the victim's home and threatening her with a firearm. The victim, a Texas A&M student, told police that she became alarmed after she heard strange noises in her apartment. The victim left her bedroom and found the defendant holding a firearm in her kitchen. When he saw the victim, the defendant responded by pointing the gun at her and yelling obscenities. The victim then fled to her bedroom and locked the door. While in her bedroom, the victim heard the defendant remain in her home until she called 911.

While College Station Police officers were on scene a man matching the description given by the victim walked past officers with his dog. Further investigation resulted in reports that the defendant cut off an identifying cast on his arm and fled College Station the next day. On March 29, 2021, the defendant plead guilty to the second-degree felony offense of Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon. The Honorable John Brick ordered a presentence investigation report to be completed by the Brazos County Community Supervision and Corrections Department. This report indicated a theme by the defendant to minimize his conduct. The defendant also had a prior criminal case in Harris County and was previously on probation in Fort Bend County for Evading with a Motor Vehicle.

In addition to information regarding the defendant's past and the pre-sentence investigation report, the Court heard the powerful testimony of the victim regarding the impact of these events. This case was investigated by the College Station Police Department and prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Kristin Burns.

“Parents send their children to our community with the confidence that this is a safe place to learn and grow as individuals. The defendant's actions caused that sense of safety to be temporarily lost. The brave testimony of this former student ensured that the defendant was held accountable for his conduct.”





- Kristin Burns, Assistant District Attorney

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