



PRESS RELEASE

Abuser Sentenced to Prison for Domestic Violence

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Bryan, TX – Raymond Dabera, 34, of Brenham was sentenced to four years in prison today for assaulting his girlfriend.

In January 2014, officers responded to a call that Dabera had assaulted his girlfriend. She reported that he had grabbed her hair and begun to choke her. Dabera then punched her in the head and face. She attempted to call the police, but Dabera broke her phone, and she was forced to run to a neighbor's home to report the assault. When police arrived, Dabera had already fled the scene. Officers noted fresh scratches and cuts to the victim's face, lip, and neck. Officers also observed that the victim's lip and face were swollen. Officers located Dabera in March 2014, and arrested him for the assault. Prior to trial for the assault, Dabera pled guilty and was sentenced to four years in prison.

At the time of the plea, Dabera was on probation stemming from an assault of the same victim in 2010. As part of the plea agreement, Dabera's probation was revoked, and he was sentenced to four years in prison for the prior assault as well. Assault Family Violence, a misdemeanor offense, is charged as a felony if a defendant has been previously convicted a family violence offense. The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Philip McLemore.

“Domestic violence is inexcusable, and those who choose to perpetrate such violence in this community must know that they will have to answer for their actions.” - Philip McLemore

