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## Domestic Violence Lands Man in Prison for 10 Years March 10, 2016

Bryan, TX – Brandon Hall, 34, was convicted by a Brazos County jury of Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon yesterday after hearing two days of evidence. Following the jury's verdict, Hall agreed to spend 10 years in prison on the charge.

Hall was arrested on February 5, 2013, after his girlfriend escaped from the home and reported to police that Hall had beaten her over the previous night and held a gun to her head. The victim ran to a local business after fleeing the home, where the business owner locked the doors to protect the victim until police arrived. That citizen called police and described the victim's fear and injuries. EMS responded and transported the victim to the hospital, where she was treated for injuries to her face and interviewed by police. Hall was arrested and charged with Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon after officers found two loaded handguns during a search of Hall's home. During the trial, jurors heard from another woman who had previously been in a relationship with Hall.

She testified that during their relationship, Hall had struck her in the face with his hand and held a gun to her head. As a result of the Aggravated Assault conviction, Hall must spend at least five years in prison before becoming eligible for parole. Ekua Assabill and Kara Comte prosecuted the case on behalf of the District Attorney's Office.

"Domestic violence continues to be a threat to the safety of the community members. Our office will protect those citizens and ensure that abusers are punished for their actions." - Kara Comte and Ekua Assabill, Assistant District Attorneys

