

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## Man Sentenced to Prison for Domestic Violence June 17, 2015

Bryan, TX – Larry Kennedy, pled guilty to Assault – Family Violence with prior convictions and was sentenced yesterday to 7 years in prison.

Kennedy also pled guilty to three misdemeanor offenses of Theft. On February 23, 2014, Bryan Police officers responded to a 911 call reporting an assault. After a brief interaction with the Defendant, the victim came out from the apartment in tears and disheveled clothing. Upon further investigation Bryan Police Officers spoke with neighbors, who witnessed the assault and described the Defendant yelling at and beating the victim including attempting to push her over the balcony's railing while he continued to attack her.

The victim was transported to the hospital. Kennedy's case was enhanced to a third-degree felony, carrying a punishment range of 2-10 years in prison and up to a \$10,000 fine, because he had been convicted of an offense involving family violence in Harris County in 2011. Kennedy has multiple convictions for drugs, theft, and as- sault in Harris County.

"Family violence typically takes place behind closed doors. In this case neighbors witnessed the violence and did not turn a blind eye to what was happening in their community. This sentence says that family violence will not be tolerated in our community."

- Jennifer Hebert and Andy Rogers, Assistant District Attorneys

