

PRESS RELEASE

Habitual Thief Sentenced to Thirteen Years January 16, 2014

On Wednesday January 14, Scott Jones, 39, was sentenced to thirteen years in prison by a Brazos County jury. Jones pled guilty to the felony offense of Theft Less than \$1,500 with prior convictions earlier on Monday. Jones had previously served prison time for the felony offenses of Forgery and Tampering with Evidence. Jones also has five prior theft convictions, three additional forgery convictions, a conviction for credit/debit card abuse, and two assault convictions.

On December 27, 2013, College Station Police Officers responded to a reported theft at the Mule Barn in Post Oak Mall. While investigating the offense, they discovered that Jones had stolen a pair of designer boots. An employee pursued Jones out of the mall and observed him flee in a vehicle. During the investigation, it was discovered that Jones had also stolen a similar pair of boots from the Mule Barn on the previous day.

Evidence was also presented regarding the defendant's commission of multiple thefts from Walmart. Specifically, witnesses testified that Jones stole three televisions on November 21, 2013, a single television on November 30, 2013, children's learning tablets on February 2, 2014, and Roundup Pesticide on February 15, 2014. Assistant District Attorneys Jennifer Hebert and Kevin Capps prosecuted the case.

"Scott Jones is a repeat offender who continues to steal from our community despite multiple second chances. The jury decided that enough was enough!" — Jennifer Hebert

