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**Defendant Matthew Mann Pleads Guilty In Serious Domestic Violence Cases And Sentenced To Lengthy State Prison Term**

The victim and defendant were once married. In this case, the two made plans to meet at a bar. While together, the victim noticed that the defendant appeared intoxicated. She attempted to stop him from drinking more alcohol. The defendant became irate. When they exited the location, the defendant began yelling at her, and then shoved her out of the vehicle. The victim called a friend to come pick her up.

A short time later, the victim returned home. On the way home, the defendant repeatedly called her, leaving her voicemails, and threatening to kill her. Once she was inside, the defendant appeared from upstairs, confronted her, and shoved her to the ground. He stood over her and began to punch her repeatedly in the face, while wearing metallic knuckle rings. The defendant kicked her in the torso, strangled her, and dragged her by her hair. The victim was able to escape from the house and contacted the police. She suffered fractured ribs, along with severe contusions, bruising, and petechiae from the attack. This attack was captured on audio-recording because the defendant had been leaving her another voicemail when the assault began.

When officers investigated the case, they learned that the defendant had committed another domestic violence offense against another intimate partner. He had forced his way into this other woman's house, shoved her, and then followed her and repeatedly contacted her with threats. She suffered extreme emotional distress as a result.

The defendant had an extensive criminal history. He is a habitual DV offender with domestic violence convictions of 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Assault/Menacing/Second Degree Burglary, Third Degree Assault, and Second Degree Kidnapping. Additionally, both victims reported abuse that they suffered at his hands throughout their relationships with him.

The District Attorney's Office prosecuted the defendant for each of these incidents. In 18CR978, the defendant plead guilty to First Degree Assault (DV) with a stipulated sentence of thirty (30) years in the Department of Corrections and Attempt to Commit Murder in the Second Degree (DV) with a stipulated concurrent sentence of twenty-four (24) years. In 18CR987, the defendant plead guilty to Stalking (DV), with a three-year concurrent DOC sentence.

Earlier today (April 2, 2019), the case proceeded to immediate sentencing after the defendant entered his guilty pleas. The defendant expressed remorse for his actions. More notably, however, one of the victims gave a compelling statement to the Court. She described the impact this attack has had on her, but she also explained that she is not a victim, but a survivor.

District Attorney Michael Dougherty stated, "Domestic violence typically occurs behind closed doors, but it exists in every part of our community. The defendant inflicted terrible injuries on one of the victims. From looking at the pictures, it is hard to imagine how she survived such a violent assault. I have great respect for the courage of both victims in this case. Because of their cooperation, as well as the outstanding work and dedication of the Longmont Police Department and the prosecutors assigned to this case, we were able to secure the just sentence. We encourage victims of domestic violence to come forward and report abuse."