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Springfield Teen Sentenced to 25 Years in Nonfatal Shooting

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Patterson announces that on September 4, 2024, Antwon Taylor, 19, of Springfield, Missouri was sentenced to 25 years for a shooting that occurred in the McDonald's parking lot at 1717 W. Battlefield Road on October 3, 2022. The victim was shot in the face after a verbal altercation with the defendant but survived. The defendant was convicted by a Greene County Jury following a trial in June 2024.

Judge Todd Myers sentenced Taylor to 20 years for the assault charge and five years for the armed criminal action charge — with the sentences to be served consecutively. Taylor was 17 at the time of the shooting. A judge ruled Taylor to be tried as an adult on Jan. 9, 2023.

Evidence at the trial included surveillance video of the incident showing the victim walking toward the driver's door of a Chevrolet Malibu driven by Taylor. The video then showed Taylor fully open the car door, quickly raise his arm up to the victim and then the victim dropping to the ground. The jury deliberated for just under an hour before returning its verdict.

**This case was being prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys Christopher Lebeck and Joseph Wantuck. It was investigated by the Springfield Police Department and Detective Oliver Hoedel was the lead investigator assigned to the case.**

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