



OFFICE OF STATE ATTORNEY
GINGER BOWDEN MADDEN
FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

April 28, 2021

PRESS RELEASE

State Attorney Ginger Bowden Madden announced today that Gregory Padgett was sentenced to 30 years state prison for a charge of Robbery with a Deadly Weapon and 15 years state prison concurrent for a charge of Aggravated Assault Upon a Person 65 Years of Age or Older by Threat with a Deadly Weapon. The defendant was sentenced by the Honorable Circuit Court Judge Joel Boles. He entered the plea straight up to the court on both counts.

Law Enforcement was dispatched to a local business on University Parkway on March 29, 2020, at approximately 11:00 a.m. They found a victim who reported he was confronted by a man with a knife demanding his keys and wallet or the man would stab him. To try to diffuse the situation, the victim gave the defendant \$20 and the defendant left the area. Padgett was last seen walking westbound on 9 Mile Road away from the incident. Shortly thereafter, law enforcement patrolled the area after receiving a description of the defendant. They found him near a local restaurant and made contact. The victim was brought over to where the defendant was located and identified Padgett as the attacker. The defendant was in possession of the knife. The defendant admitted his involvement in the crime.

This investigation and arrest were conducted by the Escambia County Sheriff's Office. Assistant State Attorney Clara Smith prosecuted the case. For further information, please contact Ms. Smith at 850-595-4500.