

JURY FINDS NICHOLAS EVANS GUILTY OF
ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE AND ARMED CRIMINAL ACTION

TROY, Mo. – Lincoln County Prosecuting Attorney, Leah W. Askey, announced today that Nicholas Evans, 23, of Wentzville, Missouri, was found guilty by a Lincoln County jury on April 12, 2013. He was sentenced today for an incident that nearly killed a Lincoln County man at Georgee's Bar December 30, 2011.

Evans was charged with Assault in the First Degree and Felony Armed Criminal Action.

The Court sentenced him to thirteen (13) years in the Missouri Department of Corrections.

The charges arose from a December 30, 2011, case when Evans (375 lbs.) ambushed 34 year old, James Zemek (165 lbs.), outside of Georgee's Bar in Troy, Missouri. Zemek was critically injured and flown by helicopter to St. Joseph Hospital where he spent an extensive amount of time recovering from the assault.

"Cases like this are never easy. One young man's life has been forever changed because of the traumatic brain injury he received as a result of a savage and senseless beating and another young man's life will be forever changed as he spends the next decade in prison because of the poor choices he made one evening at a bar. I hope the disposition of this case will allow the victim's family to move forward in their healing process." Said Askey.

This case was prosecuted by Prosecuting Attorney Leah W. Askey and First Assistant Prosecuting Attorney George Gundy. It was investigated by the Troy Police Department.

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