



New York State Correctional Officers & Police Benevolent Association, Inc.

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Convicted Inmate Sentenced in Slashing of Officer at Cape Vincent Correctional Facility

Sentenced to 23 Years in Prison

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Cape Vincent, NY – A 29 year old inmate, who was convicted of felony assault stemming from a 2022 slashing of a corrections officer, was sentenced yesterday to 23 years in State Prison.

The attack, which occurred on April 22, 2022 during the transport of the inmate from Gouverneur Correctional Facility, resulted in one officer being slashed across the face with a make-shift weapon and four other officers injured subduing the inmate.

The officer need nine sutures to close the wound to his face after the incident.

Prior to yesterday’s sentencing, a Jefferson County Jury convicted Devon Madison of Aggravated Assault on a Peace Officer, three counts of Assault 2nd, Promoting Prison Contraband 1st and Criminal Possession of a Weapon 3rd.

“Yesterday’s sentencing ends a year and a half brutal ordeal for the officers who were viciously attacked on April 22. The vicious attack and slashing of the officer on that day left him permanently disfigured and scarred emotionally. We are extremely pleased that the Jefferson County District Attorney’s Officer pursued charges and successfully prosecuted this case. With the on-going violence in our prisons as a result of the HALT Act, one of the last lines of defense we have are district attorneys who are willing to pursue charges against inmates who viciously attack staff. In this particular case, the inmate was scheduled for conditional release in 2024 from his previous convictions and now will have 23 years to think about ever attacking staff

again. I hope it sends a strong message to other inmates who are prone to violence that this will never be tolerated.” – stated, Brian Hluska, Central Region Vice President.