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On Monday, May 1, 2023, Lanceford Brock Taylor from Jackson, Mississippi, was sentenced to twenty years in the custody of the Mississippi Department of Corrections for Burglary of a Dwelling by Circuit Court Judge Stanley Sorey. Taylor, who was indicted by a Simpson County Grand Jury as a habitual offender, will have to serve fifteen years of his sentence day for day and will not be eligible for early release or parole.

This case began on September 20, 2020, when a homeowner returned from church to discover that her home had been broken into. While checking out her home, the owner discovered that the burglar was still inside the home. Thinking quickly, the homeowner retrieved a firearm from her vehicle and called 911. She located Taylor trying to escape the home from a window and held him at gunpoint until Simpson County Deputies arrived on scene and took Taylor into custody.

Taylor, who at the time of this crime, was on probation for a 2016 conviction for Burglary of a Dwelling in Hinds County for which he had been sentenced to serve 10 years in MDOC custody. Taylor had also been sentenced in 2019 to serve 2 years incarcerated for Burglary of an Automobile in Rankin County. Taylor's parole should have been revoked when he committed the 2019 crime and he should never have been out of prison to commit this crime.

I want to thank the Simpson County Sheriff's Department for their swift response to the homeowner's residence as well as for the great job investigating this case. A person's home is their sanctuary and anyone who burglarizes a home in the 13<sup>th</sup> District will be punished severely.