## News Release

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## Man Convicted in Johns Island Burglary

**Charleston, S.C.** – Solicitor Scarlett A. Wilson announced that a Charleston County jury convicted defendant, Mack Seal Washington, of Burglary in the First Degree, Malicious Injury to Personal Property, and Obtaining Goods by False Pretenses. Judge Roger L. Couch sentenced the defendant to 15 years in prison.

In August 2015, the defendant pried open a locked garage door at a home on River Road in Johns Island. He then forced his way into the home through the attached garage and stole numerous items, including lawn equipment and firearms. The victims were at work at the time. The defendant was later identified by a fingerprint left at the home, as well as a pawn ticket for one of the stolen firearms.

Washington is a career criminal with a history spanning 40 years, including five prior burglary convictions. Assistant Solicitors Dan Poulos and Nick Lewis commended the Charleston County Sheriff's Office and the State Law Enforcement Division for their diligent work in the case.

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