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Repeat Burglar Sentenced to Fifteen Years

Charleston, S.C.

Solicitor Scarlett A. Wilson announced that a Charleston County jury found Marvin

Xavier Porcher (b/m, May 24, 1966) of North Charleston guilty of Burglary in the First Degree

after a two day trial in Charleston. The jury deliberated for less than an hour. Porcher was

prosecuted after having been previously convicted of six burglaries. He had also been

previously convicted of Receiving Stolen Goods, Giving False Information to Police, Breaking

and Entering a Motor Vehicle, Petty Larceny, and Unlawful Use of a Vehicle. His criminal

records dates back to 1988. Porcher was on probation at the time of this offense as well as facing

two Breaking and Entering Motor Vehicles that he pled guilty to after the jury returned its guilty

verdict. The Defendant faced a sentencing range on the Burglary between 15 years to life. Upon

the conviction, the Honorable Deadra Jefferson sentenced Porcher to the minimum fifteen years

in prison. Assistant Solicitors Tyler Schachte Whitaker and Jennifer Kneece Shealy prosecuted

the case. William T. Smith represented Porcher at trial.

The case against Porcher involved two law enforcement agencies. Porcher lived next

door to the victim's home and stole a laptop, a television, and jewelry. He was located in North

Charleston with the laptop and some of the jewelry by Officer Fernando Salgado. Porcher gave

varying accounts to police regarding why he was in possession of his neighbor's belongings.

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