



## News Release

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### **Repeat Violator of Orders for Protection Sentenced to 45 Months in Prison**

Carver County Attorney Mark Metz announced that Travis Clay Andersen, age 25, of Chaska, was sentenced to 45 months in prison today following convictions for Felony Violation of an Order for Protection and Simple Robbery.

During a three-day trial, a Carver County jury heard testimony that a young woman, the victim in this case, obtained a judicial Order for Protection prohibiting Mr. Andersen from having any contact with her. On April 15, 2011, Andersen traveled to a location in Chanhassen where he believed he could find the victim. Andersen waited at this location for the victim to arrive. Once she arrived by car, Andersen approached, banged on the window, forced his way into the car, climbed on top of the victim, stole her purse, and fled the area.

On November 13, 2012, the jury found the Defendant guilty of both counts alleged in the complaint.

Andersen has the following prior criminal convictions: Felony Violation of an Order for Protection (2012), Misdemeanor Obstructing Legal Process (2012), Felony Terroristic Threats (2007), Gross Misdemeanor Domestic Assault (2007), Misdemeanor Domestic Assault (2007), Misdemeanor Violation of an Order for Protection (2007), and Misdemeanor Assault in the Fifth Degree (2007).

This case was investigated by the Carver County Sheriff's Office and prosecuted by Assistant Carver County Attorney Sarah Wendorf. The Honorable Kevin W. Eide presided over the case.

The sentencing hearing was held on November 27, 2012. Following sentencing arguments, Judge Eide ordered Mr. Andersen to serve 45 months in prison.

Wendorf stated, "Mr. Andersen's conduct in this case, coupled with his criminal history, causes the Carver County Attorney's Office significant concern. I believe the sentence imposed today not only properly recognizes Mr. Andersen's repeated contempt for the law, but also best protects public safety."

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