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DATE: December 13, 2024 RE: State v. Timothy Frye Jr.



On Wednesday, December 11, 2024, Timothy Frye Jr. was found guilty of First-Degree Assault and Second-Degree Assault following a four-day jury trial before the Honorable Paul Ishak in the Circuit Court for Harford County.

Evidence presented in trial proved that on November 14, 2023, at approximately 8:09 AM, Deputy First Class Tatum and Deputy First Class Harvell responded to a residence on Plaza Circle in Joppa in reference to a 911 hang up. Dispatch advised the deputies that the caller called them back and stated that there was no emergency, and nobody needed to come to the previously provided address, but during that second call, dispatch could hear an infant crying in the background, and the caller sounded extremely out of breath.

Upon arrival, Deputies met with the victim, who was holding her one-year-old daughter and crying. The victim also had multiple scratches under her left eye, a swollen lip, bruising and scratches around her neck, and bruising and scratches on her left arm. It was later discovered that the victim had bruising on her left foot as well. Upon speaking to the victim, she advised that she had gotten into an argument with her boyfriend, Timothy Frye, Jr., over a miscommunication about a question Frye had asked her. The victim further explained that during the argument, Frye had forcefully grabbed her, thrown her into a wall, tried to pull her teeth out of her mouth, punched her in the face, stomped on her foot, and strangled her to the point where she felt like she could not breathe. The victim told the deputies that she tried to call 911 for help, but Frye forced her to hang up and threatened to kill her if she did not call back and tell 911 that police did not need to come. After realizing police were likely coming, Frye fled the residence, leaving the victim and their one-year-old daughter behind.

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WWW.HARFORDCOUNTYSTATESATTORNEY.ORG 20 W. COURTLAND STREET, BEL AIR, MARYLAND 21014 Following the jury's guilty verdict, Frye was returned to the Harford County Detention Center where he will await sentencing on February 7, 2025. Frye also remains on probation for an unrelated Domestic Second-Degree Assault in Baltimore County.

Following the conviction, State's Attorney Alison M. Healey issued the following comment: "As a long-time domestic violence prosecutor, these cases are always ones close to my heart. Every victim and child should feel safe in their own homes and not be subjected to violence and abuse at the hands of those who claim to love them. I'm incredibly proud of the amazing effort put forth by Assistant State's Attorney Logan Hayes to ensure that this victim and her child no longer must be subjected to any type of violence at the hands of this defendant. It is abundantly clear that the convictions in this case will aid in the prevention of future danger to the victim in this case."

State's Attorney Healey further expressed her gratitude to Harford County Sheriff's Office Detective DeFazio, Deputy First Class Tatum, and Deputy First Class Harvell for their investigation and testimony leading to this conviction.