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Sexual Assault yields fifteen year sentence

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Twenty-two year old Jamarriell Ferrell of Charleston, SC pleaded guilty today to criminal sexual conduct in the first degree on the day that his trial was to have begun. Circuit Judge Deadra Jefferson then sentenced Ferrell to a term of fifteen (15) years with the South Carolina Department of Corrections. Under the sentencing law governing criminal sexual conduct, Ferrell must serve at least eighty-five percent of this sentence (85%).

Assistant Solicitor Greg Voigt told the court that on November 10, 2009 at about 10:15 in the evening Ferrell accosted a College of Charleston junior on her way home to her apartment from Addlestone Library. Ferrell dragged the woman behind an apartment building at 145 Coming Street and demanded money. When she did not have any money to give Ferrell he beat her in the face and neck with his fists and forced her to perform a sexual act.