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ELGIN MAN GUILTY OF ROBBING CABBIE AT GUNPOINT IN 2011

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An Elgin man has been convicted in the 2011 armed robbery an Elgin taxi cab driver.

Aaron A. McGee, 22 (d.o.b. 11-3-1989), of the 400 block of Belmont Street, Elgin and also of the 9500 block of West Fond du Lac, Milwaukee, Wis., was convicted late Tuesday, July 24, 2012, of two counts of armed robbery, each a Class X felony.

On May 8, 2011, McGee and a second man summoned a cab, which drove them to the 300 block of Princeton Avenue, Elgin. Upon reaching their destination, McGee exited the cab to get money to pay the cab driver, the victim, for the ride. The second man remained in the cab. As McGee returned to the cab, the second man squirted pepper spray at the cab driver's head and then fled. The victim turned off the car and exited the car. McGee then placed a handgun to victim's back, demanded the victim's cash and threatened to shoot him. After a short struggle the victim ran away, and McGee entered the cab and took a bag that contained the victim's cell phone. McGee threatened to kill the victim and then fled. During the investigation, police found the cell phone number that initially was used to call the cab and traced it to McGee. When interviewed by police, McGee acknowledged his role in the robbery and said he had planned to rob the driver when he called him.

Circuit Judge Timothy Q. Sheldon set McGee's next sentencing date for 9 a.m. Sept. 5, 2012, in Courtroom 319 for sentencing. McGee faces a sentence of between 21 and 45 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

McGee had been held in the Kane County jail in lieu of \$50,000 bail. Bond was revoked upon conviction.

"Thanks to Elgin Police Det. Brian Gorcowski for his thorough investigation and his hard work in bringing this defendant to justice," Kane County State's Attorney Joe McMahon said.

The case was prosecuted by Kane County Assistant State's Attorneys Alexander Bederka and Mark D. Stajdohar.