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ELGIN MAN FOUND GUILTY OF SEXUAL ASSAULT

February 5, 2024

*RE: **Zanzibah T. Stewart**: 45 years old (d.o.b. 05-11-1978), of the 1300 block of Fairwood Dr., Elgin, Illinois. Case No. 2020 CF 2166.*

Kane County State's Attorney Jamie L. Mosser announces that a jury has found **Zanzibah T. Stewart** guilty of the following offenses:

- Aggravated criminal sexual assault, class X felony (3 counts)
- Criminal sexual assault, class 1 felony (3 counts)
- Aggravated unlawful restraint, class 3 felony

Assistant State's Attorneys Amanda Busljeta and Matt Rodgers presented the following facts in court:

On November 8, 2020, Stewart threatened the victim, a woman Stewart knew at the time, with a knife. Stewart then sexually assaulted the victim.

Judge John Barsanti set Stewart's next court appearance for March 6, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in Courtroom 319 at the Kane County Judicial Center for post-trial motions. Stewart faces a minimum sentence of 18 years imprisonment in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

In addition to the prison term, Stewart must register for life as a sexual offender in accordance with the Illinois Sexual Offender Registration Act.

Stewart remains in custody at the Kane County jail.

ASA Busljeta said: "The defendant is finally being held accountable for his actions due to the victim's bravery and perseverance. I hope that she can now find closure and begin to heal. My thanks to ASA Rodgers, former ASA Bill Engerman, the Elgin Police Department, and victim advocates Martha Martinez and Linda Hagemann."