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March Ratney sentenced for shooting at IMPD Officer's home and police vehicle

(Indianapolis, Ind.) Marion County Prosecutor Terry Curry announced today that March Ratney was convicted and sentenced for shooting a firearm at the home of an Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department officer and his marked IMPD vehicle. The incident occurred on July 12, 2016, and no one was injured.

Ratney pleaded guilty to the highest level charge filed against him, Unlawful Possession of a Firearm by a Serious Violent Felon (Level 4 Felony). Pursuant to a plea agreement, he was sentenced today to serve eight years in the Indiana Department of Correction.

Additionally, Ratney was on parole at the time of the shooting for a 2010 conviction of Unlawful Possession of a Firearm by a Serious Violent Felon (Class B Felony). Based on the new conviction, he can face additional executed time in the Indiana Department of Correction for the parole violation.

During the July 2016 shooting, the IMPD officer's police vehicle sustained three bullet holes and his home sustained five bullet holes. The Marion County Crime Lab recovered 17 spent shell casings from the front of the residence. The officer, his wife and child were inside the home at the time of the shooting.