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## MAN SENTENCED IN BIAS-MOTIVATED ASSAULT CASE

A man who pleaded guilty earlier in connection with a bias-motivated assault on a 23-year-old woman has been sentenced today.

**Christopher Derby** (01-08-88) pleaded guilty to *bias-motivated crime* (F5) and was sentenced to 4 years in prison – the maximum sentence possible under the guilty plea agreement.

Around 2:00 a.m. on July 25, 2015, the victim and her friends were walking near 1000 S. Broadway Street. Derby approached the group and assaulted the victim because of her race. The victim suffered a laceration requiring stitches as a result of the attack.

Derby made a brief statement to the Court, apologizing for his actions.

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