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MAN SENTENCED IN 2016 HIGH LINE CANAL TRAIL ASSAULTS CASE

A man accused of two assaults that took place on the High Line Canal Trail within a week of each other in August 2016 was sentenced today in Denver District Court.

Demaricus Bookhart (dob: 03-14-1991) pleaded guilty in July to one count of *aggravated robbery* (F3), one count of *attempt to commit sexual assault* (F5), and one count of *menacing* (F5). He was sentenced to 30 years in prison for the *aggravated robbery* charge, and ten years of sex offender supervised probation for each of the other two counts, the probation sentences to run concurrently. The ten years of probation will begin after Bookhart serves his prison term.

Bookhart assaulted two women in separate attacks along the High Line Canal Trail on August 18 and on August 26, 2016. One of the victims was injured, and a stolen iPod belonging to a victim was recovered from Bookhart's belongings.