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Re: McKinleyville Man Sentenced to Five Years for Domestic Violence

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On Wednesday, January 25, 2012, Thomas Manuel Prince, 27, of McKinleyville, was sentenced to five years in State Prison by the Honorable Judge W. Bruce Watson after pleading guilty to assault with a deadly weapon, making criminal threats and corporal injury to a spouse, co-habitant or child's parent.

On September 19, 2011, Prince physically assaulted the mother of his infant child as well as a female friend that attempted to stop the attack. Prince also threatened to shoot both women.

"I am pleased that the court saw fit to sentence Mr. Prince to State Prison for the maximum term of five years. This violent, traumatic incident left scars with its victims and will permanently affect any relationship that he has with his minor child, a child his victim was holding when Prince carried out the assault. The community and the victims of this case will be protected while he is serving his time in prison," said Deputy District Attorney Allan L. Dollison, the prosecutor who handled the sentencing of the case.