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## Prosecutors convict man of 2019 battery and sexual assault

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. – Marion County Prosecutor Ryan Mears announced today that a Marion County jury has convicted Ian Forbes of two counts of Rape (Level 3 Felonies), Criminal Confinement (Level 5 Felony), and Battery Resulting in Bodily Injury (Class A Misdemeanor) for physically and sexually assaulting a woman in March 2019. Prosecutors obtained the conviction after a two-day trial.

On the night of the incident, Forbes and the victim returned to a residence they were renting after a night out. Forbes became angry and began to physically assault the victim causing injuries to her face, neck, head, and hands. Forbes then sexually assaulted her. After the incident, the victim hid in the basement until she knew Forbes was asleep.

The next day, Forbes charged at the woman, who barricaded herself in the bedroom. When Forbes began to break the door down, she jumped out of the bedroom window to escape and call for help.

A sentencing hearing has been scheduled for April 18 at 1 p.m. in Criminal Court 27.