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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: State of Ohio vs. Lloyd Hicks, Case #13 CR 0166

Yesterday Lloyd Hicks was convicted by a Seneca County jury of the offenses of Felonious Assault (2 counts), Abduction, and Aggravated Arson in the Seneca County Common Pleas Court. The charges resulted from the incident on September 5, 2013 at Mr. Hicks' rural Bellevue residence. Today Judge Steve C. Shuff imposed a total prison term of seventeen (17) years for the 73 year old Mr. Hicks.

Seneca County Prosecuting Attorney Derek W. DeVine commented: "The Seneca County Sheriff's Office, Bellevue Police and Bellevue Fire Departments are all to be commended for their good work in resolving the situation in a manner that protected those involved and the property of the neighbors." Assistant Prosecutor Brian O. Boos, a native of Bellevue, represented the State of Ohio during the trial. He said "I am grateful that nobody was injured in this very serious situation. This could have been a much more serious crime if things had happened only a little differently."

Mr. Hicks was represented by Tiffin Attorney Jonathan Stotzer. An appeal will be filed.