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### **SERIAL DOMESTIC ABUSER GETS PRISON FOR VIOLATING PROTECTIVE ORDER**

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A man with a history of domestic abuse has been ordered to serve a prison sentence for violating a court order by continuing to make contact with the victim from a prior domestic battery conviction.

Kane County Associate Judge Linda S. Abrahamson on Friday, April 27, 2018, sentenced 30-year-old **Marshall A. Straughter** to 6 years' imprisonment in the Illinois Department of corrections.

A Kane County jury on Jan. 23, 2018, convicted Straughter of the offense of violation of an order of protection, Class 4 felony.

Kane County Assistant State's Attorney Jake Matekaitis presented evidence in court that after being served with a protective order that prohibited Straughter from having any contact with the victim through the year 2025, Straughter between October 2016 and December 2016 called the victim's telephone 31 times from prison.

On Sept. 7, 2016, Straughter pleaded guilty to the offense of domestic battery, Class 4 felony, and was sentenced to 36 months' imprisonment. As part of the plea agreement, the court issued Straughter with the order of protection that prohibited him from having any contact with the victim.

Straughter was eligible for enhanced sentencing because of his felony criminal history – he has three prior felony convictions for domestic battery and two prior felony convictions for violating an order of protection.

According to Illinois law, Straughter is eligible for day-for-day credit. He receives credit for 143 days served in custody.

**Marshall A. Straughter:** Age 30 (d.o.b. 4-2-1988), of the 7300 block of U.S. Highway 34, Oswego