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MONTGOMERY MAN GETS PRISON FOR STALKING FORMER GIRLFRIEND MULTIPLE TIMES

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*RE: **Ellihue Pegues, Jr.**: Age 43 (d.o.b. 7-20-1978), of the 1-99 block of Saugatuck Road, Montgomery, Illinois. Case No. 2021CF1710.*

Kane County State's Attorney Jamie L. Mosser announces that 43-year-old **Ellihue Pegues, Jr.** has agreed to a sentence of five years of imprisonment in the Illinois Department of Corrections in exchange for a guilty plea to the offense of aggravated stalking, Class 3 felony.

Judge Salvatore LoPiccolo, Jr., accepted the plea.

Pegues, who previously had dated the victim, was prohibited by a protective order and also by conditions of bond from an earlier offense, from contacting the victim and from going near her home. On September 2, 2021, the victim and her daughter were at her home in Aurora. Pegues went to the victim's home and held her by the throat until the victim's daughter pepper sprayed Pegues in the face. On September 12, 2021, Pegues went to the victim's home and pepper sprayed the victim and her daughter in the face. In both incidents, Pegues violated the protective order and also caused the victim to fear for her safety, committing the felony offense of aggravated stalking.

In accordance with Illinois law, Pegues is eligible for day-for-day sentencing. Pegues receives credit for 383 days served in the Kane County jail, where he had been held since his arrest in lieu of \$100,000 bail.

ASA Michels said: "I am proud of these women for their bravery despite this defendant's multiple attempts to intimidate them. Their willingness to work with us during this prosecution assures that Mr. Pegues is held accountable for his criminal behavior. My thanks to the Aurora Police Department for the solid investigation, and also to victim advocates Andy Rodriguez, Martha Martinez and Nancy Sebastian for helping this victim throughout the court process. This was a team effort."

SA Mosser said: “Protective orders and conditions of bond are not mere pieces of paper. They are court orders to protect victims from further abuse. This defendant chose to batter the victim, which caused her to seek the protection of the court. He then chose to continue to violate the law. Our community is safer because he is in prison. My thoughts go to the victim and her daughter, who will still have to endure the memories of this defendant’s choices.”