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## **Orr woman pleads guilty to assault with a dangerous weapon**

Earlier today in federal court in Duluth, a 44-year-old Orr woman pleaded guilty to stabbing a man on August 28, 2010, while on the Bois Forte Indian Reservation. Teresa Lynn Hill pleaded guilty to one count of assault with a dangerous weapon. Hill, who was indicted on January 11, 2011, entered her plea before United States District Court Judge Donovan W. Frank.

In her plea agreement, Hill, a member of the Bois Forte Indian Reservation, admitted that on August 28, 2010, she stabbed a man while at a residence on the Bois Forte Indian Reservation. Admittedly following an altercation, Hill stabbed the man in the chest and the upper left arm without just cause or excuse and with intent to inflict bodily harm. Police were called after the victim walked to another residence. He then was taken to the hospital for medical attention. The victim was an enrolled member of the Red Lake Indian Reservation.

For her crime, Hill faces a potential maximum penalty of ten years in prison. Judge Frank will determine her sentence at a future hearing, yet to be scheduled.

This case is the result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Bureau of Indian Affairs ("BIA"). It is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Deidre Y. Aanstad and Karen B. Schommer.

Because the Bois Forte Indian Reservation is a federal-jurisdiction reservation, some of the crimes that occur there are investigated by the FBI in conjunction with the BIA. Those cases are prosecuted by the U.S. Attorney's Office.

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