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Orr woman sentenced for assault with a dangerous weapon

MINNEAPOLIS – Earlier today in federal court in Duluth, a 44-year-old Orr woman was sentenced for stabbing a man in a domestic incident on August 28, 2010, while on the Bois Forte Indian Reservation. United States District Court Judge Donovan W. Frank sentenced Teresa Lynn Hill to five years of probation, including nine months stay in a halfway house on one count of assault with a dangerous weapon. Hill was indicted on January 11, 2011, and pleaded guilty on May 4, 2011.

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. 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.

This case was the result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (“BIA”). It was 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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