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## **Felony Court Unit in PD Office has Success in March**

Jacksonville, FL: Fourth Judicial Circuit Public Defender Matt Shirk is congratulating attorneys in his Felony Court Unit for courtroom successes during the month of March. Two separate defense teams were victorious in different trials last month:

On March 23<sup>rd</sup>, a jury heard *The State of Florida vs. Jonathan Brown*. Assistant Public Defender Todd Niemczyk tried the case in which his client was charged with Felony Battery and Aggravated Battery with a Deadly Weapon. However, Mr. Niemczyk provided a sound defense that there was simply not enough evidence to convict Mr. Brown who had been having a disagreement with his child's mother when her new boyfriend intervened. The jury concurred.

The same day in another Duval County courtroom, APD Pam Simons led a successful defense team which included APD Rachel Chewning. In *The State of Florida vs. Calvin Brown*, the Defense convinced the jury that Mr. Brown, who was charged with Dealing Stolen Property and Falsifying a Pawn Receipt, was innocent because the item in question, a computer monitor, was purchased at a yard sale.



(L-R) APD Chewning, Matt Shirk, APD Simons



(L-R) APD Niemczyk, Matt Shirk

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