

Violent Abuser Sentenced to 40 Years in Prison

Ellis County and District Attorney Ann Montgomery announced that Harold Beasley, 40, of Dallas, Texas, was sentenced to 40 years in prison on December 5, 2023, for Assault Family Violence Impeding Breath with Previous Conviction(s), Continuous Violence Against the Family, and Witness Tampering.

From February 2021 through February 2022, Beasley frequently assaulted his girlfriend. He would beat and strangle her, putting her in fear of her life. While Beasley was in jail awaiting trial, he repeatedly called the complainant to coerce and influence her not to cooperate with law enforcement.

All 3 cases have a punishment range of 25-99 years or life in prison and a fine up to \$10,000 because of Beasley's prior felony convictions. He is eligible for parole after 20 years on the Assault Family Violence and Continuous Violence Against the Family cases.

Additionally, it is common for law enforcement to monitor jail phone calls. In this case, Ellis County and District Attorney investigators were monitoring Beasley's jail phone calls when they discovered the coercive calls. Our office then filed criminal charges for witness tampering. If inmates abuse their phone privileges in the jail, the Ellis County Sheriff can and will also take appropriate action including filing additional criminal charges. Both our office and the Ellis County Sheriff's Office monitor inmate phone calls to protect victims and witnesses.

Assistant County and District Attorney Ashley Indelicato prosecuted this case, assisted by County and District Attorney Investigator Joseph Aguilar.

