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Elk Point, S.D. State's Attorney Jerry A. Miller announced today that Jerry Waagmeester, a 55 year old North Sioux City, SD resident was sentenced on September 23, 2013 to one felony count of Aggravated Assault (Domestic), a class 3 felony. On March 18, 2013, Waagmeester got into a verbal altercation which turned into a physical altercation. Waagmeester became violent with his wife in which he began to strangle her. Following the assault Waagmeester attempted to assemble a firearm. Waagmeester's wife attempted to prevent him from obtaining the weapon and assembling it. Waagmeester's wife was struck by either the weapon or the weapon case. The assault by Waagmeester was heard by and parts of the assault were observed by his daughter who also called Law Enforcement.

On September 23, 2013, the Court sentenced Jerry Waagmeester to a suspended 10 year sentence to the South Dakota State Penitentiary with 8 years of supervised probation. Waagmeester was also sentenced to spend 100 days incarcerated in the Union County Jail. Waagmeester must also pay his court costs, prosecution costs, and repay Union County for providing him a court-appointed attorney. This is Waagmeester's first felony conviction.