



## Office of the Prosecuting Attorney

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

MARTINSBURG, WV – Berkeley County Prosecuting Attorney Catie Wilkes Delligatti announces today that a Berkeley County jury has found BILLY E. EVANS, 36, of Martinsburg, WV, guilty of one count of Attempted First-Degree Murder, six counts of Malicious Assault, and five counts of Wanton Endangerment arising from his shooting of Renzel Danforth at the Sheetz located at Route 11 and Tabler Station Road. For his convictions, Evans faces the following possible penalties: three to fifteen years in the penitentiary for Attempted First-Degree Murder, two to ten years in the penitentiary for each count of Malicious Assault, and a determinate sentence of not less than one nor more than five years in the penitentiary for Wanton Endangerment, for a maximum aggregate total sentence of one hundred years. A Sentencing hearing has been scheduled for June 11, 2018. The trial began Tuesday before the Honorable Debra McLaughlin, of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Judicial Circuit.

This matter was investigated by the Berkeley County Sheriff's Department. Prosecuting Attorney Catie Wilkes Delligatti and Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Kevin J. Watson prosecuted this case on behalf of the State. Ms. Delligatti would like to thank the Sheriff's Department for their efforts in keeping the community safe, and the jury for carefully weighing the evidence and providing a verdict that achieves justice for the victim.