## An attack using an axe handle lands man prison time

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LEAVENWORTH, Kan. --- A Linwood man accused of using an axe handle to attack another man has been sentenced to prison.

David F. King, 51, was arrested and charged with attempted aggravated battery after a witness called 911 reporting King had attacked a family member inside a Linwood home.

Court documents state deputies responded to a house near 170<sup>th</sup> St. and Golden Rd. on December 16, 2019, to investigate a battery between family members. Inside the home, deputies located a victim who had suffered a wound to his head. Blood was found in several rooms inside the house. The victim in this attack told deputies an argument is what led to the disturbance.

When deputies contacted King inside the home, he claimed he was the victim and that he acted in self-defense. Deputies made contact with a witness who disagreed with King's statement that he acted in self-defense.

On Wednesday, April 5, King was sentenced to 16 months in the Kansas Department of Corrections. King was credited with 112 days already served.

Leavenworth County Attorney Todd Thompson said, "This case proves how important cooperation of a witness can be, having a witness willing to tell deputies what happened is vital to successfully prosecuting some cases."

Note: David F. King shares a name with retired First Judicial District Chief Judge David King. The two men are not related.