

Leavenworth man found guilty of multiple charges after opening fire on woman and friends outside of a bar following birthday celebration

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LEAVENWORTH, Kan. --- A man who opened fire on a woman and her two friends as they left a Leavenworth bar after celebrating her birthday has been found guilty by a jury on multiple charges related to the incident.

Following the two-day trial, on Tuesday, Aug. 27, 2024, 42-year-old Courtney L. Roberson of Leavenworth was convicted of two counts of Aggravated Assault, two counts of Criminal Threat, and one count each of Criminal Discharge of a Firearm, and Criminal Damage of Property.

According to court documents, the victims were leaving a downtown Leavenworth bar on March 8, 2024. Moments later, Roberson approached the front of their vehicle with a handgun in his right hand. Feeling threatened, the victim quickly drove away, during which a gunshot was heard. Shortly after the incident, Roberson made a threatening call to the victim. As the victims fled the area, they contacted 911 and drove to the Leavenworth Criminal Justice Center for help. While the victims were being interviewed by police at the Justice Center, Roberson sent threatening texts to one of the other victims.

Roberson was arrested on March 12, 2024, and charged on March 13, 2024.

Leavenworth County Attorney Todd Thompson said, "It takes great strength whenever a victim has to testify about what may have been the most tragic event they've experienced in their life. We appreciate law enforcement's vigilance in helping protect the community.

Roberson's sentencing is scheduled for Nov. 6, 2024.