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The Honorable Sandra Doorley  
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**Jason Calvert Sentenced to 15 Years for Attempted Murder in the Second Degree**

Rochester, NY- Today, Supreme Court Justice Alex R. Renzi sentenced 35 year old Jason Calvert to 15 years in prison with additional 4 years post release supervision for his guilty plea to Attempted Murder in the Second Degree. On November 29, 2015, Calvert invited his 24 year old girlfriend over to his home on 144 Alexander Street in the City of Rochester. When she arrived he became physically abusive, striking her repeatedly with his fist about the head and body. This abuse went on throughout the night and into the morning until the victim was able to escape and was assisted by two good Samaritans. The victim suffered severe facial injuries for which she was hospitalized at Strong Memorial Hospital.

The victim spent her life writing and singing songs, when in the hospital recovering from Calvert's vicious attack, she videotaped herself singing a song she wrote about the abuse and domestic violence. The victim posted the video on social media in an effort to help other victims of domestic violence seek help. In addition to the prison sentence, Justice Renzi issued an order of protection for the victim that expires in 2038.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney William Gargan, Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau.

"Jason Calvert is a monster who beat his girlfriend for hours with the intent to kill her. The victim's ability to endure the physical pain and the emotional trauma caused during the beating is what saved her life," said Assistant District Attorney William Gargan. "The victim's bravery throughout the prosecution of this case was instrumental in Calvert's guilty plea and today's sentencing. As a result, Jason Calvert will spend a very long time in jail. We hope this sentencing allows the victim and her family to begin the healing process knowing Calvert is no longer free to be a part of this community."