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(Wyo.)-Judge Sentences Campbell County Man In Kidnapping



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GILLETTE, Wyo. (ASSOCIATED PRESS) - A judge has ordered a Campbell County man to serve 35 years to life in prison on convictions of kidnapping and stalking his estranged wife.

District Judge John R. Perry sentenced 47-year-old Gregory Hawes on Wednesday. A jury found Hawes guilty in August of kidnapping and stalking.

Perry described Hawes' actions toward his ex-wife as almost terroristic.

Prosecutors say Hawes forced his way into the woman's home in January and tied her to her bed. They say he told her he was going to kill her and might burn her.

The woman escaped and ran to a neighbor's house for help.

Hawes cried when Perry gave him the opportunity to speak and said he didn't go to the woman's residence to hurt her.