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District Attorney Matthew Van Houten announced today that Clifton Bibbins, 39, of Ithaca, was convicted by a jury on this afternoon of the crimes of Assault in the Second Degree, two counts of Burglary in the First Degree, Attempted Robbery in the First Degree, and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree. Burglary in the First Degree is a Class B felony which is punishable by up to 25 years in State Prison. The indictment charged Bibbins with a home invasion attempted robbery in Lansing on October 14, 2021, during which the defendant pistol-whipped the victim and shot the victim in the foot.

Bibbins was convicted of all charges after a jury trial in the Tompkins County Court. The trial commenced on January 20, 2023, and concluded on Tuesday, January 31, 2023.

Sentencing has been scheduled for March 17, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. before Judge John C. Rowley.

Assistant District Attorney Emily Perks Quinlan prosecuted the case with Deputy District Attorney Andrew Bonavia. Michael Witmer and Christopher Monna from Rochester represented the defendant.
