

Hospital attacker sentenced to prison
(KAIR)--20-years in federal prison.

That's the sentence handed down for a former civilian hospital employee at Fort Leavenworth who attacked his supervisor with scissors and a straight razor and set her on fire.

The Office of U.S. Attorney Tom Beall said that along with the prison sentence, 55-year-old Clifford Currie must pay more than \$3 million in restitution to the victim, and serve three years of supervised release at the end of the prison term.

In August, a jury found Currie, of Leavenworth, guilty of one count of assault with intent to commit murder.

During trial, prosecutors presented evidence that on September. 7, 2016, Currie threw gasoline or some other inflammable liquid on his supervisor, Lieutenant Katie Ann Blanchard, lit her on fire and assaulted her with a straight edge razor and scissors.

A co-worker came to Blanchard's aid when she heard screams and saw Blanchard on fire from the chest up. Currie was subdued by hospital employees and then arrested.

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