

Two sentenced in Hiawatha home invasion

(KNZA)--Two Sabetha residents were sentenced Monday on charges in connection with a Hiawatha home invasion and robbery in May.

Brown County Attorney Kevin Hill says 21-year-old Edgar Martinez was sentenced to a total of 5 1/2 years in prison on felony charges of aggravated robbery, aggravated burglary and aggravated battery. Martinez request for probation was denied. He was remanded to the Brown County Jail for delivery to state prison.

Co-defendant, 23-year-old Jazmene Hicks, was sentenced to total of 56 months in prison on felony charges of robbery, burglary, and aggravated battery along with a misdemeanor charge of criminal restraint. Hill says her request for probation was granted by the Court, and she was placed 36-months intensive supervised probation with Community Corrections. She will be required to register as a violent offender for 15 years under the Kansas Offender Registration Act.

Hicks and Martinez pleaded no contest last month to the charges.

Authorities say the pair broke into a home at 121 Apache Street in Hiawatha on May 16th. The occupant, Ray Atlakson, told police he was battered and robbed, with his hands bound behind his back before the suspects fled the scene.

Taken were a pair of car keys, billfold and a RCA tablet.

Atlakson was treated for injuries at the Hiawatha Community Hospital.

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