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Billy Ray Jordan Guilty of Armed Robbery, House Burglary, Kidnapping & Attempted Sexual Battery; Eligible for release from prison at age 72.

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(JACKSON, MISS.) Hinds County District Attorney Robert Shuler Smith today announced Billy Ray Jordan, age 58, of 1035 Terrance Ave. in Jackson, pled guilty to multiple felony charges stemming from the August 2011 burglary of an occupied residence in Raymond.

In the course of this noontime burglary, Jordan terrorized a 17-year-old girl who was home alone talking on the phone to her boyfriend. He heard her screams and called 911. Raymond police officers responded within minutes. Jordan hid in the bathroom. He was apprehended in possession of a broken firearm, a knife, a roll of cord, and a devil's mask.

Hinds County Circuit Judge Bill Gowan sentenced Jordan to serve 40 years in the custody of the Mississippi Department of Corrections, with 15 years to serve. He'll not be eligible for release until 2026, when he will be 72 years-old.

"Billy Ray Jordan will be an old man by the time he gets out of prison," said Smith.

"It's a blessing the victim was on the phone when Jordan attacked her. And I'm grateful for the outstanding work of the Raymond Police Department," he added. "They saved her life."

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