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The Jackson County District Attorney's Office announced late this morning that Louis Mahar entered no contest pleas to one count of Assault in the Fourth Degree and one count of Harassment. Mr. Mahar was sentenced, by Judge Lorenzo Mejia, to twenty four months' bench probation. The terms and conditions of Mr. Mahar's probation include a thirty day jail sentence, to not consume intoxicants, to not contact the victims, and to pay restitution.

The charges stemmed from an incident that occurred in the evening hours of June 3, 2016 at the Agate Ridge Vineyard. Deputies from the Jackson County Sheriff's Office responded to the scene of a reported fight and took statements from multiple witnesses. Victim Anna Bishop reported that Mr. Mahar had first approached her earlier in the evening, and touched her inappropriately while making remarks about her appearance. Ms. Bishop was able to walk away, but later in the evening Mr. Mahar engaged in a fight with Ms. Bishop's husband, Shane Bishop. Mr. Mahar, who was visibly intoxicated, first pushed Ms. Bishop out of the way and then knocked Mr. Bishop to the ground while attempting to punch him. When Mr. Bishop was knocked to the ground he received injuries to his back and shoulder. Two of the witnesses were then able to intervene and pull Mr. Mahar off Mr. Bishop.

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