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**Man, 22, gets 23 years for robbing man
Wielding a knife, he entered residence, injured resident, took bank card**

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A 22-year-old Columbia man received a 23-year jail sentence for the home invasion and robbery of a man in Long Reach village last year.

"This case represents a citizen's worst nightmare," said Thomas W. Rafter, a Howard County prosecutor. "It was a random, violent invasion of his home. [The victim] was held at knifepoint, tied up and left in a pool of his own blood by Frazier."

Brett Nathan Frazier of the 5400 block of White Mane was convicted of robbery with a deadly weapon, assault and theft.

He was sentenced last week by Howard County Circuit Judge Diane O. Leasure.

In a letter to Leasure last month, Frazier apologized for the crime and asked for a light sentence, saying he had "an extremely bad drug problem."

He described his actions as "extremely horrible and selfish."

The incident occurred Dec. 15 in the 8800 block of Spiral Cut.

Frazier's girlfriend knocked on the door of Joseph Morin's home to ask to use a phone, prosecutors said. She told Morin, 34, that her car had broken down. When Morin let her inside, Frazier followed.

Wielding a knife, Frazier ordered Morin to lie on the floor. Frazier pushed the victim's face into the floor as Morin pleaded not to be hurt. Frazier used speaker wire to tie Morin's hands and feet, court documents said.

Morin suffered a broken nose and a fractured eye socket.

Frazier demanded Morin's personal identification number for his bank card before he and his girlfriend, then 19, fled, the documents said. Withdrawals of more than \$800 at several automated teller machines led police to Frazier, who was on parole for burglary, prosecutors said.

Elisabeth S. Parkman of Savage, identified as Frazier's girlfriend, is awaiting trial in the case.

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