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Athens County Prosecutor's Office Reports 98.16% Conviction Rate

The annual report prepared for the Athens County Commissioners certifying cases prosecuted by the Athens County Prosecutor's Office finds that of the 533 cases pursued to final sentence, the Office had a conviction rate of 98.16% for the period beginning September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2014.

Prosecutor Blackburn reports that "While leading a ground breaking investigation that extended beyond County and State borders, I am proud that our office has still achieved a 98% conviction rate with more than a 5% increase in caseload. I am extremely grateful to my staff for all of their hard work."