

Jury finds man guilty of weapons charge

A Cole County Circuit Court jury has convicted a Jefferson City man for firing a gun at another man in September.

Brent A. Cole, 24, was found guilty of unlawful use of a weapon. Judge Byron L. Kinder presided over Cole's trial on Tuesday and will sentence him later.

The victim, Jerry Twehus, testified that Cole fired shots at his pick-

up truck while he was driving in the 200 block of Olive Street in the early morning hours of Sept. 4, 1997. The vehicle was hit but no one was hurt.

Twehus said he had taken Cole to Olive Street because Cole allegedly was angry and wanted to confront a friend of Twehus about a drug deal.

Cole testified that he was elsewhere at the time of the shooting.

The jury of eight men and four women deliberated for an hour and 14 minutes before returning a guilty verdict.