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## **18-YEAR-OLD SENTENCED TO 7 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR ASSAULT**

PHOENIX – Dustin Owen Setoyant, 18, of Bapchule, Ariz. and a member of the Gila River Indian Tribe, was sentenced yesterday to 84 months in federal prison by U.S. District Judge Neil V. Wake. Setoyant pleaded guilty on October 29, 2008 to Assault Resulting in Serious Bodily Injury and Using a Firearm During a Crime of Violence.

On April 18, 2008, the victim, a 34-year-old farmer and a native of Guatemala, was operating a vehicle known as a “Gator” and was monitoring water levels in a canal area adjacent to a farm where he was employed in Bapchule. Setoyant, who resided in the area, had consumed a significant quantity of whiskey and attempted to steal the Gator. During his unsuccessful attempt, Setoyant shot at the Gator and fled the area. The shot hit the victim in the shoulder area and caused a serious wound. The victim was hospitalized, but recovered from his injury. Setoyant turned himself into the Gila River Police Department the following day.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Gila River Police Department. The prosecution was handled by Thomas C. Simon, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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