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SALINA MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO DRUG CHARGE

TOPEKA, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that **Shadd Allan Boese**, 29, Salina, entered a guilty plea to drug charges Sept. 16, 2004, before U.S. District Judge Julie A. Robinson. Boese pleaded guilty to **one count of possession of methamphetamine with intent to sell and one count of carrying a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime.**

Melgren said that Boese admitted at his plea that on Sept. 9, 2002, he was arrested at 824 Sherman in Salina. On Boese's person and in his car, officers found 7.81 grams of methamphetamine, a loaded Russian-made 7.62 mm handgun with the hammer cocked and the safety off and a Taurus, Millennium PT 111 model, 9 mm pistol.

Boese is scheduled for sentencing at 9 a.m. Nov. 29. If convicted, Boese faces not less than five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine on the gun charge and up to 30 years in prison and a \$2 million fine on the drug count.

Melgren commended the work of the Salina Police Department in this investigation and Assistant U.S. Attorney Greg Hough in the prosecution.