



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Joe Stecher, Omaha Police Chief Eric Buske, and Mickey Leadingham, Omaha's Resident Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release: For having been a Felon in Possession of a Firearm on July 13, 2008, Irvin Boyd Harris was sentenced by the Honorable Joseph Bataillon, Chief United States District Judge, to serve 30 months in prison, which will be followed by a 3 year term of Supervised Release, and to pay a \$100 Special Assessment.

On July 13, 2008, Omaha Police responded to the 3900 block of N. 18th due to a disturbance call from a woman who said that her ex-boyfriend was attempting to break into her home. She provided a clothing description. Police saw a man, (Harris), matching the description standing outside her home on the south side. As police approached, they saw Harris throw a black handgun to the ground. It was a .40 caliber semi-automatic pistol, loaded with one round in the chamber and 6 rounds in the magazine. Harris was convicted in 2003 of felony Carrying a Concealed Weapon 2nd Offense, and in 2006 of Aiding in the Consummation of a Felony.

Name of Defendant: Irvin Boyd Harris

AKA:

Age: 27

City of Residence: Omaha

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Felon in Possession of a Firearm carries not more than 10 years in prison, not more than a \$250,000 fine, not more than 3 yrs term of Supervised Release, and a \$100 Special Assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: 3910 N. 18th

Location of Arrest: 3910 N. 18th

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: n/a

Others Charged in Same Scheme: n/a

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: July 13, 2008

Federal Arrest Date: August 28, 2008

Date Complaint Issued: n/a

Indictment Returned Date: August 20, 2008

Initial Appearance Date: September 2, 2008

Plea Date(s): November 6, 2008

Sentencing Date: February 19, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: n/a

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Hon. Thomas Thalken

Held without Bond: as of September 2, 2008

In Continuous Custody Since: July 13, 2008

Assigned District Court Judge: Hon. Joseph Bataillon

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