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### **MOULTONBORO MAN SENTENCED FOR MCDONALD'S ROBBERY**

**CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE** – United States Attorney Tom Colantuono and Concord Police Chief Jerome Maddan, report that Jay Downs, age 21, of Moultonboro, New Hampshire, was sentenced to a seven and one-half (7 ½) year term of imprisonment and a three (3) year period of supervised release by United States District Court Judge Steven McAuliffe following his guilty plea to the February 26, 2003 robbery of McDonald's restaurant located on South Main Street in Concord, New Hampshire.

The case against Downs was initiated on February 26, 2003 when members of the Concord, New Hampshire Police Department responded to McDonald's restaurant on South Main Street in Concord, New Hampshire after receipt of a 911 call from an employee who revealed that two individuals had robbed the restaurant. Once at the McDonald's, law enforcement officers spoke with three restaurant employees who were present during the robbery. The restaurant manager indicated that two males, a Caucasian male, later determined to be Anthony Tgibedes, and a Hispanic male, later determined to be Jay Downs, entered the restaurant at approximately 10:50 p.m. and pointed a weapon at a restaurant employee who was positioned next to the front counter. The two men then ordered the employees to the back of the restaurant where the restaurant manager was located. Once at the back of the restaurant, Tgibedes ordered an employee to follow Downs back to the front of the restaurant in order to assist in the emptying of the cash registers. Tgibedes then held the restaurant manager at gunpoint (which was later determined to be an antique revolver) while she opened and emptied the restaurant's safe. Once the safe and front register's were emptied, the two fled the area, taking approximately \$3,400.00 in cash.

The case was investigated by the Concord, New Hampshire Police Department and the New Hampshire State Police. United States Attorney Colantuono commented that the investigation and subsequent guilty pleas and sentences of Tgibedes and Downs "serve as a shining example of the cooperative efforts of law enforcement in the State of New Hampshire who work tirelessly to ensure that individuals who commit violent acts against our citizens are punished to the fullest extent of the law." This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Terry Ollila.

