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QUEEN CITY MAN SENTENCED FOR POSSESSION OF PIPE BOMB

(Marshall, TX) A 35-year-old Queen City, Texas, man has been sentenced to 28 months in federal prison for possession of an explosive device. **MARTY LYNN GENNINGS** was sentenced today by United States District Judge T. John Ward for possessing a pipe bomb.

According to information presented in court, on August 17, 2003 agents of the FBI and the ATF responded to a request for a call from the Queen City Police Department, regarding a possible bomb located in a box at the police department. The box contained one completed pipe bomb and two unassembled bombs. The box and the explosive device had been discovered by Gennings' brother-in-law and brought to the police department.

A subsequent search of Gennings' computer and residence revealed numerous documents detailing the process of manufacturing explosive devices. Gennings' hand written notes were also found, which detailed his intent to use the pipe bomb at his former employers' place of business.

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Gennings pleaded guilty to possession of an explosive device on January 30, 2004.

Matthew D. Orwig, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Texas, commended law enforcement for resolving a potentially dangerous situation, "This defendant devised this explosive with the intent to cause harm. Thanks to the quick actions of the law enforcement officers and agents, no property was damaged and there were no injuries."

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, and the Queen City Police Department. Assistant U.S. Attorney Barry Bryant prosecuted the case.

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