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## **HEMPHILL MAN HEADS TO PRISON FOR FIREARMS VIOLATIONS**

(Beaumont, Texas) A 30-year-old Hemphill man has been sentenced to 63 months in federal prison for being a Felon in Possession of a Firearm. **GALYNN TYRONE WHITE** was sentenced this week by U.S. District Judge Thad Heartfield.

According to evidence presented in court, in April 2003, the Sabine County Sheriff's Office began investigating the theft of firearms from a local business. During the course of the investigation, deputies received information that White had purchased one of the firearms. White admitted to possessing the stolen firearm and also admitted to possessing another firearm that had been stolen out of Nacogdoches County. White has a prior felony conviction for Delivery of a Controlled Substance in Sabine County in 1998. He was found guilty following a jury trial on April 27, 2004, on two counts of Felon in Possession of a Firearm.

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**Matthew D. Orwig, U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Texas, said, "Convicted felons are prohibited by federal law from possessing firearms. We are aggressively enforcing this law and violators can expect nothing less than time in a federal prison."**

Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) is a comprehensive strategic approach to reducing gun violence in America by promoting partnerships among federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies.

The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives and the Sabine County Sheriff's Office. Assistant United States Attorney Lisa Flournoy prosecuted the case.

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