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## **LOUISVILLE MAN SENTENCED TO 5 YEARS FOR POSSESSING CRACK COCAINE FOR DISTRIBUTION IN BULLITT COUNTY**

*-Bullitt County Drug Task Force teams with ATF to make drug bust*

LOUISVILLE, KY - **Marshall Anderson**, age 27, of Louisville, Kentucky, in Jefferson County, was sentenced to 5 years imprisonment in United States District Court, Louisville, Kentucky, for possessing over five grams of cocaine base, otherwise known as "crack" cocaine, for distribution, David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, and Paul Vido, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Louisville Field Division, jointly announced today. Jennifer B. Coffman, Chief Judge, United States District Court, also sentenced Anderson to 4 years supervised release following incarceration. There is no parole in the federal judicial system.

Working with an informant, detectives from the Bullitt County Drug Task Force set up a "controlled buy" of approximately one-half ounce of crack cocaine from Anderson. The buy was set up for January 3, 2005, at the parking lot of the McDonald's restaurant in Mt. Washington, Kentucky. Anderson arrived in the McDonald's lot as a passenger in a vehicle driven by a third party. The informant got into the back seat of the car and made the purchase of crack cocaine from Anderson using \$600.00 in buy money provided by police.

After the buy occurred, the Bullitt County Drug Task Force Officers stopped the car and arrested Anderson. A search incident to arrest did not reveal the \$600.00 in purchase money.

When asked, Anderson replied that he had no money.

A search warrant was subsequently obtained for the car. Four additional grams of crack cocaine were located in a Chicken McNugget box on the floorboard of the car. The next morning, an additional search of the car revealed the \$600.00 used to purchase the crack from Anderson located behind the glove compartment on the passenger side of the car where Anderson had been seated.

On July 11, 2006 the federal grand jury returned an Indictment charging Anderson with possession of 5 grams or more of cocaine base with the intent to distribute in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a). On February 21, 2007 Anderson pled guilty to the charge.

The estimated street value of the crack cocaine involved in this case is approximately \$1000.00.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Thomas W. Dyke. The Louisville Field Office of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) conducted the investigation in partnership with the Bullitt County Drug Task Force , as part of ATF's mission to reduce violent crime and other threats to public safety.

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