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## **PORT ARTHUR MAN SENTENCED FOR FEDERAL GUN VIOLATION**

BEAUMONT, TX -- United States Attorney John L. Ratcliffe announced today that a 41-year-old Port Arthur man has been sentenced to 70 months in federal prison in the Eastern District of Texas for federal firearms violations.

**TONY DONDRE WILLIAMS** pleaded guilty to being a felon in possession of a firearm on October 9, 2007 and was sentenced today by United States District Judge Thad Heartfield.

According to information provided in court, on October 21, 2006 law enforcement officers responded to a report of shots being fired in the 2700 block of Lakeshore Drive in Port Arthur. Williams was located in the vicinity and a search of his vehicle revealed a pistol and ammunition. Further investigation revealed Williams to be a convicted felon and prohibited by federal law from owning or possessing firearms or ammunition. Williams had previous convictions for possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance in the Eastern District of Texas in 1996, possession of a controlled substance in Jefferson County in 1992, and arson in Jefferson County in 1992.

Williams was indicted by a federal grand jury on June 6, 2007 and charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm.

The case was investigated by the Port Arthur Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Randall L. Fluke.

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