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**LOUISVILLE FELON PLEADS TO
POSSESSION OF A FIREARM**

– A felon in possession of a stolen revolver

LOUISVILLE, KY - Phillip Dunn, Jr., age 24, of Louisville, Kentucky, in Jefferson County, entered an open plea of guilty to the charge of possession of a stolen firearm by a convicted felon, 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.

Through his plea, Dunn admitted that on February 8, 2007, when stopped by Louisville Metro Police, he was in possession of a Ruger, .44 magnum caliber revolver, model Super Blackhawk, serial number 81-99702, which he knew to be stolen. Dunn acknowledged that at the time he was a convicted felon, who had previously been convicted, under Jefferson County, State Indictment 05CR3587, of one count of Assault II Under Extreme Emotional Disturbance, and one count of Wanton Endangerment I.

The maximum potential penalty is 10 years imprisonment, a \$250,000.00 fine, and supervised release for a period of 3 years.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Mac Shannon. The Louisville Field Office of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) conducted the investigation in partnership with the Louisville Metro Police Department, as part

of ATF's mandated mission to reduce violent crime and other threats to public safety.

Dunn is scheduled to be sentenced before Judge Thomas B. Russell on June 16, 2008, at 11:30 a.m., in Louisville, Kentucky.

This is a Project Backfire prosecution. Project Backfire is a cooperative effort by the Jefferson County Attorney's Office, the Jefferson County Commonwealth's Attorneys Office, the Louisville Metro Police Department, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and the United States Attorney's Office to ensure that firearm offenses are prosecuted to the fullest extent of the state and federal law.

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