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EVANSVILLE MAN SENTENCED TO 188 MONTHS FOR POSSESSION OF FIREARM AS ARMED CAREER CRIMINAL

PRESS RELEASE

Timothy M. Morrison, Acting United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that DARRYL R. FOSTER, 43, of Evansville, Indiana, was sentenced to 188 months imprisonment late yesterday by U.S. District Judge Richard L. Young following his guilty plea to possession of a firearm by a felon. This case was the result of an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco Firearms and Explosives and the Evansville Police Department.

On March 3, 2007, the Evansville Police Department responded to a report of a shooting incident on Jefferson Avenue. Police officers located a .380 caliber casing on the sidewalk outside the Jefferson Avenue address. DARRYL R. FOSTER was one of the people in the house. A search of the basement produced a .380 caliber semi-automatic pistol near a television set. FOSTER admitted the .380 caliber semi-automatic pistol belonged to him and that he fired the gun in the air before police arrived.

FOSTER was sentenced as an Armed Career Criminal for possession of the firearm because he has three prior felony convictions for crimes of violence, including robbery, battery, and criminal recklessness with a firearm. A person found to be an Armed Career Criminal is subject to a minimum, mandatory fifteen years imprisonment for possession of a firearm.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Todd S. Shellenbarger, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Young also imposed 5 years supervised release following FOSTER's release from imprisonment. During the period of supervised release, FOSTER must submit to drug testing.

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