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Weirton Resident Sentenced to 5 Years and 3 Months
on Firearms Violation

WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA — A 28 year old Weirton, West Virginia, resident was sentenced on August 25, 2008, in United States District Court in Wheeling by Judge Frederick P. Stamp, Jr.

United States Attorney Sharon L. Potter announced that ADAM LEE KERN was sentenced to 63 months imprisonment to be followed by three years of supervised release. KERN entered a plea of guilty on June 16, 2008, to a one-count Indictment charging him with possession of firearms on January 11, 2008, in Deep Valley, Tyler County, West Virginia, after having been previously convicted of the felony offense of Sexual Misconduct with a Minor, in the Elkhart Circuit Court of Indiana and the offense of Robbery Resulting in Serious Bodily Injury, in the Elkhart Circuit Court of Indiana. As part of his plea, KERN agreed to the forfeiture of a Beretta, model 950 BS, .25 caliber and a Marlin, model 15Y, .22 caliber rifle involved in the commission of the offense alleged in the Indictment.

KERN was remanded to the custody of the United States Marshal.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney David J. Perri. The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives.