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**Weston Resident Sentenced For
Unlawfully Possessing A Firearm**

ELKINS, WEST VIRGINIA — A 30 year old Weston, West Virginia, resident was sentenced on September 8, 2008, in United States District Court in Elkins by Judge Robert E. Maxwell.

United States Attorney Sharon L. Potter announced that PATRICK EDWARD MARTIN was sentenced to 18 months imprisonment to be followed by three years supervised release. MARTIN entered a plea of guilty on February 26, 2008, to one count of an Indictment charging MARTIN, who was previously convicted of the felony offense of Third Degree Sexual Assault, with knowingly possessing a firearm on May 24, 2007, in Weston.

MARTIN is in federal custody.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Shawn Angus Morgan. The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives and the West Virginia State Police - Bureau of Criminal Investigations.