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Georgetown Robber Sentenced to 69 Years

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LEXINGTON, Ky. — A Lexington man, 21-year-old Isaiah Lamar Robinson, was sentenced to 828 months in prison by Senior District Court Judge Joseph Hood for his role in the robbery of three Shell Gas Stations in Georgetown, Ky. last year. Judge Hood also ordered Robinson to pay more than \$19,000 in restitution.

In two of the robberies, Robinson fired shots and injured the station clerk. Both victims addressed Robinson at the sentencing.

“You destroyed my life,” said the victim of the November 27th robbery on East Main Street.

Prior to sentencing, Robinson wrote an apology letter to all three victims in the case..

“This means nothing,” said the victim while pointing at the letter that was tucked away in his suit coat pocket. “You’re nothing but a punk. You’re not sorry for what you did, you’re sorry because you got caught.”

During the second day of his trial in July of this year, Robinson pleaded guilty to three counts of armed robbery and three counts of the use and discharge of a firearm in furtherance of those robberies.

Part of the evidence presented at trial included videos of the defendants posing with the proceeds from the November 27th robbery. The defendants also posted photos of themselves on their My Space Pages holding the proceeds from one of the robberies.

Robinson admitted that in less than a month’s time in late 2007, he robbed three Shell Gas Stations with help from four other Lexington men. The other four men pleaded guilty to robbery and firearm charges in April and have already been sentenced.

“There’s no prison sentence that can compensate for the pain the victim’s had to endure,” said Hyde Hawkins who represented the United States in this case. “But the sentence will hopefully give the victims some bit of comfort in knowing that justice

prevailed and the man most responsible for these robberies will spend the rest of his adult life in prison.”

Robinson robbed the Showalter Shell Station in Georgetown, Ky. on December 17, 2007. After exiting the station with the money, Robinson spotted the clerk on the telephone at which time he ordered the clerk to the back of the station and fired several shots in her direction. One of the other participants, David Laine, 18, admitted that he entered the station with Robinson and demanded money from the clerk. Another individual, 19-year-old Trey Haddix, acknowledged that he drove the vehicle to and from the robbery and accepted some of the proceeds. Laine and Haddix were sentenced to 74 and 72 months in prison, respectively.

Robinson further admitted in court that he robbed the Shell gas station on East Main Street in Georgetown on November 27, 2007 and the Shell gas station on Mary Lynn Drive on December 25, 2007. Robinson shot the clerk of the East Main Street station in the hand and admitted to shooting the clerk of the Mary Lynn Drive station in the leg.

“My life has changed,” said the victim of the Mary Lynn Drive Station. “I feel isolated and alone. “You not only hurt my leg but you hurt my mental state.”

Dijon Hollinger, 18, acknowledged he entered both Shell stations with Robinson, pointed a BB gun at the clerk and demanded money during both robberies. Another individual, 18-year-old Charles Omer Davis admitted that he drove the vehicle to each robbery and received proceeds from the November 27 robbery. According to Davis, during the December 25th robbery, while Robinson and Hollinger were in the store, he attempted to move the vehicle at which time he backed the vehicle off a cliff, rendering the vehicle inoperable. The three defendants fled the scene on foot but were apprehended shortly thereafter by the officers from the Georgetown Police Department and deputies from the Scott County Sheriff’s Department. Davis and Hollinger received 98 months and 144 months, respectively.

“This prosecution is a direct result of the collaboration and hard work of local and federal agencies,” said Resident Agent in Charge of ATF (Lexington Field Office) Rich Putnam. “Because of the seriousness and nature of these crimes it was very apparent that had these subjects not been apprehended someone else may have been injured or even killed.”

Acting United States Attorney James A. Zerhusen, Special Agent in Charge Paul Vido, of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF - Louisville Division), Georgetown Police Chief Greg Reeves and Bobby Hammons of the Scott County Sheriff’s office jointly made the announcement after sentencing.

This case was investigated by the Georgetown Police Department, The Scott County Sheriff’s office and ATF (Lexington Division). The United States was

represented by Hydee R. Hawkins and Erin J. May.