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**MEMBER OF "B-6" DRUG GANG IN FREDERICK EXILED
TO OVER 17 YEARS IN PRISON**

Baltimore, Maryland - U.S. District Judge J. Frederick Motz sentenced Jesse Dorsz, age 28, of Walkersville, Maryland, today to 210 months in prison followed by five years of supervised release for conspiracy to distribute controlled substances and possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime.

The sentence was announced by United States Attorney for the District of Maryland Rod J. Rosenstein; Special Agent in Charge Theresa R. Stoop of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; Frederick County Sheriff Charles A. Jenkins; Colonel Terrence Sheridan, Superintendent of the Maryland State Police; and Frederick County State's Attorney J. Charles Smith.

According to his plea agreement, from 2004 through July 2005, Jesse Dorsz worked with Steven Stone and others to purchase and distribute drugs, including cocaine, marijuana and MDMA (ecstasy). Members of the conspiracy called themselves "B-6," which stood for "the bottom of Sixth Street" in Frederick, Maryland.

Between January and July 2005, Dorsz purchased at least one to two ounces of powder cocaine a week from Stone, totaling over 500 grams. In addition, Dorsz had a network of individuals who assisted him in obtaining drugs from sources in New York and Maryland, including cocaine, marijuana and ecstasy, and then distributing those drugs in and around Frederick, including on Sixth Street. As part of his drug trafficking activity, on July 29, 2005, Dorsz met an individual at a park in Frederick who was distributing for and purchasing drugs from Dorsz. During the meeting, the individual purchased marijuana from Dorsz and then Dorsz inquired about money that the individual owed to Dorsz. They began arguing and Dorsz pulled out a pistol and struck the individual on side of the head, causing a laceration and a fracture of the individual's head.

Steven Leroy Stone, age 25, of Frederick, Maryland, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit witness tampering and possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug-trafficking crime and a crime of violence resulting in death, in connection with the murder of David Lee, and was sentenced to 292 months in prison.

Mr. Rosenstein commended Assistant U.S. Attorney John W. Sippel, Jr., who prosecuted the case.