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Des Moines Man Sentenced to 22 Months in Prison for Malicious Use of Explosive Materials

DES MOINES, IA - On October 19, 2012, Jeremy Cardell Dennis, age 26, of Des Moines, Iowa, was sentenced to a term of 22 months imprisonment for malicious use of explosive materials, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. United States District Court Judge Ronald E. Longstaff also ordered Dennis to serve a term of two years supervised release following imprisonment, and imposed a \$100 crime victim fund assessment.

In the early morning of January 3, 2011, Dennis and Gregory Harris threw three Molotov cocktails at the leasing office of the Deer Ridge Apartment Complex in Des Moines. The incident resulted in damage to the leasing office building and two vehicles parked nearby. Dentaro Lee, along with Robert Bell, helped acquire the components to assemble the Molotov cocktails and provided transportation to and from the Deer Ridge Apartment Complex that night. Harris was previously sentenced for arson in the 2nd degree in Polk County District Court. Bell pled guilty to malicious use of explosive materials and Lee pled guilty to conspiracy for this offense. Both Bell and Lee are awaiting sentencing in November.

The case was investigated by the Des Moines, Iowa, Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.

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