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Davenport Man Sentenced After Federal Drug Conspiracy Conviction

DAVENPORT, IA - On July 19, 2012, Dale Lee Shorter, age 36, of Davenport, Iowa, was sentenced to 240 months imprisonment by United States District Court Judge John A. Jarvey, having previously pled guilty to conspiracy to distribute cocaine base, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. Shorter also was ordered to serve five years on supervised release following imprisonment and pay \$100 towards the Crime Victims Fund. Six other co-defendants in this case have pled guilty and are awaiting sentencing – Charles Bateman, Charles Harrington, Roscoe Lee, David Minor, Alon Shorter and Kadar Wall.

From approximately October 2007 until June 2011, Dale Shorter and his co-conspirators distributed in excess of 2.8 kilograms of cocaine base. This investigation included two controlled purchases of crack cocaine directly from Dale Shorter. The investigation also included five controlled purchases of crack from Harrington and Bateman, who distributed crack cocaine provided by Dale and Alon Shorter. Shorter admitted that other co-defendants, including Bateman, Harrington, Minor and Wall, distributed crack cocaine for him and other co-conspirators at multiple locations in Davenport, Iowa, including an apartment on Heatherton Drive. Shorter also cooked powder cocaine into crack cocaine that was later distributed as part of the charged conspiracy.

This case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa. This case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Iowa Department of Public Safety, Division of Narcotics Enforcement, and the Davenport, Iowa, Police Department.

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