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Davenport Men Sentenced On Federal Drug Trafficking Conspiracy

DAVENPORT, IA – On July 17, 2014, Delbert Lorenzo Sykes, Jr., age 34, and Darross Tyrese Sykes, age 30, both of Davenport, Iowa, were sentenced by United States District Judge Stephanie M. Rose for conspiracy to distribute cocaine base, cocaine, and marijuana announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. Delbert Sykes, Jr. was sentenced to 108 months imprisonment. Darross Sykes was sentenced to 72 months' imprisonment. Both were also ordered to serve four years of supervised release following the imprisonment and to pay \$100 towards the Crime Victims Fund. Judge Rose also ordered the forfeiture of all remaining property listed in the Indictment including \$130,400 in United States Currency, a 2010 Chevrolet Camaro registered to Delbert Sykes, and a Ruger .40 caliber handgun and ammunition, all seized from Delbert Sykes, Jr.'s residence.

Over the course of many years, beginning in the early 2000's and continuing until about August 2013, Delbert Sykes, Jr. and Darross Sykes conspired with each other and other persons to distribute cocaine base, cocaine, and marijuana in the Davenport, Iowa area. Specifically, during the above-mentioned time period law enforcement completed numerous controlled purchases of drugs from the Sykes', including purchases of ounce quantities of crack cocaine and cocaine. In August 2013, law enforcement executed several search warrants for residences associated with the Sykes. At Delbert Sykes, Jr.'s residence agents located, among other things, \$130,400 in U.S. Currency which included drug proceeds, a Ruger .40 caliber handgun and

ammunition, a digital scale with cocaine residue, and packaging material. Items associated with drug trafficking were seized from the other searched residences, all of which were in Davenport.

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

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