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JACKSON MAN SENTENCED FOR ESCAPE

Jackson, Miss - Dunn Lampton, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Mississippi, announced today that **Marlon Billups**, of Jackson, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Daniel P. Jordan, III, to 33 months imprisonment, followed by three years of supervised release.

Billups pled guilty on March 26, 2008, to an information charging him with escaping from an institution or facility in which he was confined by the Attorney General of the United States. Billups admitted that on August 10, 2006, he left a residential reentry center, known as Bannum Place, in Jackson, Mississippi, and did not return. Billups was completing a 30 month sentence in federal prison for bank larceny and post office burglary. He had entered Bannum Place to transition back into the community. Billups was due to be released on October 22, 2006, before escaping custody.

This case was investigated by the United States Marshal Service, Gulf Coast Regional Fugitive Task Force, and prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jerry Abdalla.

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