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DEKALB COUNTY COCAINE TRAFFICKERS HEADED TO FEDERAL PRISON

\$100,000 Worth of Cocaine, Weapons Seized From Stone Mountain Home

Atlanta, GA - CALVIN THOMAS FURLOW, 43, of Stone Mountain, GA; ADRIAN ANTOINE CAMPBELL, 40, of Hampton, GA; STEVEN BERNARD JORDAN, 40, of Atlanta, GA; and BENJAMIN D. SMARR, 44, of Atlanta, GA were sentenced today by Senior United States District Judge Orinda D. Evans on charges of conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute cocaine and possession with intent to distribute cocaine. FURLOW was also sentenced on a charge of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. FURLOW, CAMPBELL, JORDAN, and SMARR were convicted of these charges on February 12, 2010 after a four-day federal jury trial.

United States Attorney Sally Quillian Yates said of the case, "These defendants thought that their cocaine trafficking activities would pass unnoticed on a residential street in Stone Mountain. Now, as a result of the combined investigative efforts of the DeKalb County Police Department, and DEA, these drug dealers will serve a combined 70 years in federal prison. The U.S. Attorney's Office will continue to partner with the DeKalb County Police Department and other local agencies to prosecute drug dealers and remove their poisonous drugs and dangerous weapons from our communities."

DeKalb County Police Chief William O'Brien said of the case, "The joint efforts by the DeKalb County Police Department, DEA and United States Attorney's Office to arrest and convict these offenders should be commended. The collaborative effort of these agencies is a testament to the citizens of DeKalb County that we are committed to utilizing all available resources to remove these perilous substances and felons from our community."

FURLOW was sentenced to 20 years in prison to be followed by 10 years of supervised release; CAMPBELL, who previously served five years in federal prison for conspiracy to distribute crack cocaine, was sentenced to 20 years in prison to be followed by 10 years of supervised release; JORDAN, who has two prior cocaine distribution convictions in Fulton County Superior Court, was sentenced to 20 years in prison to be

followed by 10 years of supervised release; and SMARR, who had no prior criminal record, was sentenced to 10 years in prison to be followed by 5 years of supervised release.

According to United States Attorney Yates, the charges and other information presented in court: In early January 2007, a confidential source informed the DeKalb County Police Department that FURLOW had been selling multiple kilograms of cocaine out of his home on Redan Way in Stone Mountain, Georgia. On January 24, 2007, DeKalb County narcotics detectives set up surveillance on FURLOW's residence, anticipating a cocaine transaction. At that time, a detective observed SMARR and JORDAN arrive in a vehicle and park in a neighbor's driveway. A few minutes later, JORDAN handed SMARR a large black shopping bag, which SMARR delivered to FURLOW at his front door. Shortly thereafter, CAMPBELL arrived at the scene, driving a Georgia Department of Transportation dump truck, and entered FURLOW's residence to obtain his "broker fee" for the cocaine which SMARR and JORDAN had just delivered to FURLOW in the black bag. During a search of FURLOW's residence a short time later, detectives located five one-kilogram bricks of cocaine and the empty black bag on FURLOW's kitchen counter, a bag of powder cocaine in his kitchen cupboard, and three firearms including an assault rifle in his bedroom. Detectives also found an additional bag of powder cocaine in the passenger area of CAMPBELL's dump truck. Detectives seized over \$7,000 in U.S. currency from CAMPBELL and over \$2,300 in U.S. currency from JORDAN at the scene.

This case was investigated by the DeKalb County Police Department, with valuable assistance provided by the Drug Enforcement Administration during the federal prosecution phase of the case.

Assistant United States Attorneys Michael Herskowitz, Lisa Tarvin, and Dahil Goss prosecuted the case.

The U.S. Attorney's Office in Atlanta recommends parents and children learn about the dangers of drugs at the following web site: www.justthinktwice.com.

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