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COUNCIL BLUFFS MAN SENTENCED ON FIREARMS CHARGES

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA - On March 18, 2011, Jamie Lee Kennedy, age 20, of Council Bluffs, was sentenced to 36 months imprisonment for being a felon in possession of a firearm, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. Chief Judge Robert W. Pratt also sentenced Kennedy to three years of supervised release following his imprisonment, and imposed a \$100.00 special assessment for the Crime Victim Fund. The defendant remains detained in the custody of the United States Marshal pending designation of the Bureau of Prisons facility at which he will serve his term of imprisonment.

On December 27, 2010, Kennedy appeared before the federal court in Council Bluffs and entered a guilty plea to the charge of felon in possession of a firearm. The charge arises from a March 13, 2010, shoplifting incident at a store in Council Bluffs. When Council Bluffs police officers arrived to take custody of Kennedy from store personnel who had subdued Kennedy as he tried to leave the store with merchandise, Kennedy was found to be in possession of a 9-mm pistol and an accompanying magazine loaded with seven rounds of ammunition. Kennedy had previously been convicted of various felony offenses, including Burglary 3rd Degree in Pottawattamie County, Iowa. The defendant was on probation for the State of Iowa when he committed the current firearm offense.

The case was investigated by the Council Bluffs Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and was prosecuted by the United States Attorneys Office for the Southern District of Iowa.