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### **WEEK IN REVIEW – SOUTH BEND**

South Bend, Indiana- The United States Attorney's Office announced:

Jerome Butler, 32, of South Bend, Indiana, was sentenced by Judge Jon DeGuilio to 81 months imprisonment and 3 years of supervised release after pleading guilty to count two and three of an Indictment charging him with possession with the intent to distribute crack cocaine, and possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime. This case was the result of an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives . This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Donald Schmid.

Christopher Chism, 24, of South Bend, Indiana, was sentenced by Senior Judge James T. Moody to 15 months imprisonment and 2 years of supervised release after pleading guilty to count one of an Indictment charging him with being a felon in possession of a firearm. This case was the result of an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Frank Schaffer.

Stephen M. Johnson, 27, of Elkhart, Indiana, pled guilty before Magistrate Judge Christopher Nuechterlein to count two of an Indictment charging him with possession of a firearm as a person convicted of domestic battery. Sentencing has been set for 12/8/11. These charges were filed as the result of an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Donald Schmid.

The specific sentence in each case to be imposed upon conviction will be determined by the judge after a consideration of federal sentencing statutes and the Federal Sentencing Guidelines.