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Oakdale business owner sentenced for trafficking stolen property

MINNEAPOLIS – Late yesterday in federal court in Minneapolis, a 31-year-old Cottage Grove man was sentenced in connection with buying and selling stolen merchandise at his Oakdale business. Noting his early plea and cooperation with investigators, United States District Court Chief Judge Michael J. Davis sentenced John Thomas Jundt to five years of probation on one count of trafficking in stolen property. Jundt was charged on April 16, 2008, and pleaded guilty on September 11, 2008.

In his plea agreement, Jundt admitted that from August 2006 through September 15, 2007, he, as the owner of a InetDVD.com store in Oakdale, bought items from thieves, sold that stolen merchandise via the Internet, and then used the U.S. mail to ship the merchandise to the purchasers. The retail value of the merchandise purchased and sold through this scam, much of which included DVDs and video games, exceeded \$49,000.

On February 28, 2011, Judge Davis sentenced four others involved in the racket, each on one count of conspiracy. Mark Jerome Terry, age 54, of St. Paul, was sentenced to 24 months; William John Terry, age 61, of Stacy, was sentenced to 24 months; Rachel Lynn Miller, age 39, of Roseville, was sentenced to 20 months; and Daniel Adolph LaBarre, age 51, also of St. Paul, was sentenced to 12 months and one day. Mark Terry and his co-defendants were indicted on August 19, 2010, and pleaded guilty in October of 2010. Earlier, Judge Davis also sentenced Rodney Jay Shafer, age 45, of West St. Paul, to 24 months on one count of conspiracy. He was charged on September 4, 2009, and pleaded guilty on November 30, 2009. On July 31, 2009, Daniel Scott Reetz, age 48, of St. Paul, was sentenced to 24 months in prison.

In their plea agreements, the defendants admitted that from 2004 through November of 2007, they traveled to other states, stole merchandise, and returned to Minnesota, where they sold the stolen merchandise to Jundt and a Woodbury-based business. The owner of the

Woodbury-based business, Christopher Allen Janota, age 42, of St. Paul, pleaded guilty on January 27, 2011, to one count of conspiracy in connection to this scam. For his part, Janota admitted selling the stolen merchandise through his Woodbury store. His sentencing date has not been scheduled.

These cases were the result of an investigation by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service and the Woodbury Police Department, and were prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert M. Lewis.

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