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DEFENDANT WHO FAILED TO UPDATE SEX OFFENDER INFORMATION SENTENCED

Defendant Who Pled Guilty to Travelling from Massachusetts to Moira, New York Without Updating His Sex Offender Registration Information Sentenced to 25 Months in Prison

Albany, New York—United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian and James Parmley, U.S. Marshal for the Northern District of New York, announced that SHAWN DOWNER, age 38, of Moira, New York, was sentenced today by the Honorable Thomas J. McAvoy in Federal District Court in Albany on his guilty plea to one count of failing to update his New York State sex offender registration information in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2250(a). DOWNER was sentenced to 25 months of imprisonment to be followed by a term of supervised release of ten years.

On February 11, 2011, DOWNER pled guilty and admitted that, in 2005, he was convicted of a sex offense in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. DOWNER also admitted that, in the summer of 2009, he moved from Massachusetts to Moira, New York. DOWNER further admitted that he resided in Moira, New York until the time of his arrest in October 2010. Records from the sex offender registries in Massachusetts and New York established that DOWNER did not update his change of address information in Massachusetts and did not register as a sex offender in New York.

This case was investigated by the U.S. Marshals Service.

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