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## **BUFFALO MAN SENTENCED FOR ROLE IN CREATING A METH LAB**

BUFFALO, N.Y.-- U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that John McMahon, 50, of Buffalo, N.Y., who was convicted of maintaining a premises for the purpose of manufacturing methamphetamine and being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm, was sentenced to 48 months in prison by U.S. District Judge Richard J. Arcara.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Melissa Meetze, who handled the case, stated that in November 2010, during the execution of a search warrant at the Chenango Street home of the defendant and his wife Judy McMahon, law enforcement officers found a methamphetamine lab and a shotgun concealed behind a bedroom door. Both defendants had recently moved to Buffalo from Florida.

Judy McMahon was convicted of conspiracy to possess methamphetamine and was sentenced to one year probation on January 13, 2012 by Judge Arcara.

The sentencing is the culmination of an investigation on the part of Buffalo Police Department under the direction of Commissioner Daniel Derenda, with the assistance of Special Agents of the Drug Enforcement Administration of under the direction of Wilbert L. Plummer, Acting Special Agent in Charge, New York Field Division

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