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FORMER POLICE OFFICER'S WIFE SENTENCED FOR DRUG SCHEME

PHILADELPHIA - Christal Snyder, 28, the wife of former Philadelphia Police Officer Robert Snyder, was sentenced today to 126 months in prison for her role in a drug conspiracy that involved her husband and five other defendants, including two other police officers. Snyder pleaded guilty February 15, 2011, to conspiracy to distribute 100 grams or more of heroin, distribution of 100 grams or more of heroin, possession with intent to distribute 100 grams or more of heroin within 1000 feet of a school, five counts of use of a communication facility, conspiracy to commit robbery which interferes with interstate commerce, attempted robbery which interferes with interstate commerce, and in use of a firearm during a crime of violence, all arising from her participation in schemes to steal and distribute heroin, and to attempt to steal money moving in interstate commerce at gunpoint.

She reports to prison June 17, 2011. In addition to the prison term, U.S. District Court Judge Harvey Bartle, III, ordered Snyder to complete eight years of supervised release.

The case was investigated by The Drug Enforcement Administration and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with the cooperation and assistance of the Philadelphia Police Department. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Maureen McCartney, Anthony Wzorek, and Kathy Stark.

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