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**FEDERAL JUDGE IN MIDLAND SENTENCES ODESSA MAN  
ON METH DISTRIBUTION AND FIREARM CHARGES**

**United States Attorney Robert Pitman** announced that 25-year-old Abdon Joe Vigil, of Odessa, Texas, was sentenced to 17 years and 7 months in federal prison on drug distribution and firearm charges.

On September 30, 2011, Vigil pleaded guilty to one count of possession with intent to distribute five grams or more of methamphetamine and one count of possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime. On June 29, 2011, authorities found approximately 17 grams of 98.9% pure methamphetamine and a Glock 23, .40 caliber semi-automatic pistol in Vigil's motel room. Vigil admitted he received the firearm in exchange for methamphetamine knowing that the gun had previously been stolen.

United States District Judge Robert Junell sentenced Vigil to 151 months in federal prison on the drug trafficking count, and 60 months on the firearms count, with the sentences ordered to run consecutively for a combined sentence of 211 months. In addition, Vigil was ordered to serve a term of supervised release of five years upon the expiration of his prison sentence.

This case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Ector County Sheriff's Office. Assistant United States Attorney Austin M. Berry prosecuted this case on behalf of the United States.

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