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Three Individuals Sentenced in Federal Court

CLARKSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA - Three individuals were sentenced on May 30, 2012, in United States District Court in Clarksburg by Judge Irene M. Keeley.

United States Attorney William J. Ihlenfeld, II, announced that:

LOUIS JONES, age 28, of Penn Hills, Pennsylvania, was sentenced to 78 months imprisonment to be followed by three years of supervised release. JONES entered a plea of guilty on January 5, 2012, to Conspiracy to Distribute Heroin from September of 2008 to March of 2010 in Morgantown, West Virginia. JONES, who is on bond, will self report to the designated Federal institution.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Andrew R. Cogar and was investigated by the West Virginia State Police-Bureau of Criminal Investigations.

ROBERT DALE RHODES, age 48, formerly of Morgantown, West Virginia, was sentenced to 12 months and 1 day imprisonment to be followed by 10 years of supervised release. RHODES entered a plea of guilty on February 8, 2012, to Failure to Update Registration as a Sex Offender from March of 2011 to October of 2011, in Morgantown, Monongalia County, West Virginia. RHODES was a person required to register under the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act knowingly failed to register and update his sex offender registration. RHODES was remanded to the custody of the United States Marshal pending designation to a Federal institution.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney David J. Perri and was investigated by the United States Marshals Service.

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BRANDON FLOYD, age 28, of Salem, West Virginia, was sentenced to 5 months imprisonment, to be served consecutively to the State sentence of 1 to 15 years that FLOYD is currently serving for burglary and conspiracy to commit fraud in Harrison County, to be followed by three years of supervised release, with the first 5 months of the supervised release to be served under home detention. FLOYD entered a plea of guilty on March 8, 2012, to forging an endorsement on a stolen Treasury check which was issued to a Veterans Administration beneficiary who was deceased. During the period of January 2, 2010, to June 1, 2011, FLOYD stole and forged a total of eighteen beneficiary checks worth \$11,898, for which the Court ordered FLOYD to make restitution. FLOYD was remanded to the custody of the United States Marshal.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Andrew R. Cogar and was investigated by the Veterans Administration Office of Inspector General and the United States Secret Service.

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