

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
PENSACOLA DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

CASE NO. 3:18cr50/RV

JONTA T. CARTER

FACTUAL BASIS FOR GUILTY PLEA

This statement of facts is submitted on behalf of the undersigned parties. All parties agree that if the above-captioned case were to go to trial, the government could produce competent, substantial evidence of the following facts to prove Defendant is guilty of the count(s) of the Indictment to which Defendant is pleading guilty. The parties further agree that all of the following facts are true and correct and that not all of the facts known from or related to this investigation are contained in this brief summary.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

On or about April 12, 2018, law enforcement officers attempted to stop the defendant while he was driving a vehicle in a parking lot in Pensacola, Florida. The defendant fled in the vehicle from officers until the vehicle struck a curb and was disabled. Then the defendant fled from officers on foot, where he was observed trying to conceal a firearm in his waistband. The defendant jumped over a fence surrounding a retention pond and continued running towards the other side.

Officers pursued him both through the pond and on the other side of the fence in attempt to cut off his escape. The defendant tossed the firearm over a fence, which officers on the other side observed land on the ground. The firearm was recovered and determined to be a Smith and Wesson .40 caliber pistol, which had been manufactured in Massachusetts.

At the time, the defendant had been convicted of the following crimes punishable by more than one year in prison:

- a. On or about September 13, 2011, Defendant Jonta T. Carter was convicted in the State of Texas of Possession with Intent to Distribute a Controlled Substance.
- b. On or about June 8, 2015, the defendant was convicted in the State of Florida of Possession of a Controlled Substance.

ELEMENTS

The elements of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1), as charged in Count One, are:

First: the Defendant knowingly possessed a firearm in or affecting interstate or foreign commerce; and

Second: before possessing the firearm, the Defendant had been convicted of a felony – a crime punishable by imprisonment for more than one year.


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