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Florence Man Sentenced to 156 Months for Armed Drug Trafficking

COVINGTON, Ky. - A Florence, Kentucky man, Dylan G. Roland, 29, was sentenced on Thursday, to 156 months in federal prison, by U.S. District Judge David Bunning, for distribution of methamphetamine and possession of a firearm in furtherance of drug trafficking.

According to his plea agreement, Roland admitted to distributing methamphetamine in April 2019, in Boone County. Roland further admitted that officers conducted a vehicle stop of two men who had just left his residence, discovering 30 grams of methamphetamine and a firearm. Roland's residence was then searched, where officers located 14 grams of methamphetamine, 30 grams of marijuana, drug paraphernalia, approximately \$2,500 in cash, and two firearms.

Under federal law, Roland must serve 85 percent of his prison sentence; and upon his release, he will be under the supervision of the U.S. Probation Office for four years.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky, and James Robert Brown, Special Agent in Charge, FBI, Louisville Field Division, jointly made the announcement.

The investigation was directed by the FBI. The United States was represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Wade Napier.

This case was prosecuted as part of the Department of Justice's <u>"Project Safe</u> <u>Neighborhoods" Program (PSN)</u>, which is a nationwide, crime reduction strategy aimed at decreasing violent crime in communities. It involves a comprehensive approach to public safety — one that includes investigating and prosecuting crimes, along with prevention and reentry efforts. In the Eastern District of Kentucky, U.S. Attorney Robert Duncan Jr., coordinates PSN efforts in cooperation with various federal, state, and local law enforcement officials.

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