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Wolfe County Man Sentenced to 180 Months for Armed Methamphetamine Trafficking

LEXINGTON, Ky.— A Compton, Ky., man, Justin Clay Spencer, 37, was sentenced to 180 months in federal prison on Friday, by Chief U.S. District Judge Danny C. Reeves, for possession with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine and possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking activity.

Spencer was indicted after law enforcement found him in possession of 259 grams of methamphetamine. Spencer admitted that he intended to distribute the methamphetamine. Additionally, Spencer was in possession of a firearm, which he used for protection in furtherance of his methamphetamine trafficking.

Spencer pleaded guilty to the charges in the indictment in December 2021.

Under federal law, Spencer must serve 85 percent of his prison sentence. Upon his release from prison, he will be under the supervision of the U.S. Probation Office for five years.

Carlton S. Shier, IV, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky; J. Todd Scott, Special Agent in Charge, DEA, Louisville Field Office; and Colonel Phillip Burnett, Commissioner of the Kentucky State Police, jointly announced the sentence.

The investigation was conducted by the DEA and KSP. The United States was represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Emily Greenfield.

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