

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

vs.

Case No. 3:18-cr-107-MCR

RYAN STUART MADDEN
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STATEMENT OF FACTS

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

On May 23, 2018, ATF Special Agents coordinated with an ATF confidential informant (“CI”) for both the CI and an ATF undercover agent (“U/C”) to attempt an introduction and undercover purchase of six firearms from convicted felon Ryan Madden (“MADDEN”). The CI communicated with MADDEN to arrange the meeting and introduction. As a result of these communications, MADDEN agreed to meet with and possibly sell firearms to the U/C at a location to be determined. MADDEN told the CI he had a 12-gauge shotgun for sale but

preferred to sell the “whole lot.” The CI was instructed to request a photograph of the firearms MADDEN claimed to have in his possession. MADDEN subsequently sent the CI a picture of six long guns and advised he did not want to wait until the following day to sell them.

The U/C and the CI were outfitted with electronic surveillance equipment that allowed the purchase to be heard and recorded. MADDEN provided the CI with a meet location and at 8:32pm the U/C and CI observed MADDEN standing on the east side of the road in front of 8604 Satsuma Avenue, Pensacola, Florida. Both the U/C and the CI exited the undercover vehicle and approached MADDEN on the side of the road to initiate a conversation. The U/C noticed two older white females sitting in a SUV also on the side of the road, and MADDEN explained they were waiting for his source of supply to arrive so he could sell them narcotics. The U/C stated he would also be interested in purchasing narcotics.

MADDEN told the U/C and CI about a time he had been robbed of his supply of narcotics and stated, “this is my welcome back party right here.” MADDEN explained he had been robbed of two ounces of methamphetamine and that he was “trying to raise a little capital tonight; that’s what this is all about.” The U/C asked MADDEN if he had the firearms because the U/C wanted to inspect them and determine if he wanted to purchase them. MADDEN agreed, approached the

front door of 8604 Satsuma Avenue, opened it partially and told a white male that he was going next door.

The U/C and the CI followed MADDEN to the neighboring residence identified as 320 West Ensley Street, Pensacola, Florida. MADDEN opened a window on the west side of the residence, reached in, and was able to open the door next to it. MADDEN walked in, followed by the CI and U/C. There was no working electricity and the interior was extremely dark, except for a flashlight on the floor in the "on" position. MADDEN made his way to the far side of the room and lifted a twin bed from the box spring revealing six long guns. An unknown black male then appeared in the window and questioned who was in the residence. MADDEN went to the window and identified himself to the person MADDEN referred to as "Unc." Unc departed the area and MADDEN re-engaged in the transaction.

The U/C asked MADDEN if \$800.00 was acceptable to purchase all six long guns, while the CI checked to make sure the firearms were not loaded. The U/C also asked if these long guns were the same ones depicted in the photograph that MADDEN sent to the CI. MADDEN confirmed they were, in fact, the same firearms. MADDEN also provided a detailed description of each firearm. The U/C stated he could go as high as \$850.00 for all six firearms, and eventually the firearms would end up in Puerto Rico. While inspecting the firearms, the CI and the U/C discovered one of the firearms was jammed with one round in the chamber. Because

one of the firearms malfunctioned, MADDEN and the U/C agreed to a purchase price of \$800.00 for all six firearms. MADDEN then packaged all of the firearms in a sheet, followed by a blue tarp. The U/C asked MADDEN if he could acquire additional firearms for sale, and MADDEN replied that he could. The U/C then provided MADDEN with \$800.00. MADDEN did not want to exchange phone numbers with the U/C and, instead, preferred to continue to operate through the CI. All three parties exited the residence, and the CI and U/C drove away with the six firearms.

Due to the circumstances, DNA and fingerprints were not sought from the firearms. An ATF expert examined the six firearms and made the following findings: the Mossberg .308 WIN caliber rifle was manufactured in Connecticut; the Remington Arms 12-gauge shotgun was manufactured in New York; another Remington Arms 12-gauge shotgun was manufactured in New York; the Marlin 30/30 WIN caliber rifle was manufactured in Connecticut; the Mossberg 12-gauge shotgun was manufactured in Connecticut; and, the Savage Arms 12-gauge shotgun was manufactured in Massachusetts. The recovery of these firearms in Florida establishes they traveled in interstate commerce.

MADDEN is prohibited from possessing a firearm due to multiple felony convictions in the state of Florida, as outlined in the Indictment.


According to the state of Florida, Office of Executive Clemency report dated August 3, 2018, there is no record of restoration of civil rights for MADDEN relative to owning, possessing, or using a firearm.

ELEMENTS OF THE OFFENSE-COUNT I

- (1) The Defendant knowingly possessed a firearm and ammunition in or affecting interstate commerce; and,
- (2) 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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