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Council Bluffs, Iowa, Resident Sentenced to Prison for Possession of a Firearm

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA - On May 7, 2013, Jason Lee Garza, a 32 year-old resident of Council Bluffs, Iowa, was sentenced by United States District Court Judge Stephanie M. Rose to 30 months in prison followed by three years of supervised release for possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. Garza pled guilty to the charge of a felon in possession of a firearm on February 8, 2013.

The charge was the result of an investigation conducted by the Council Bluffs, Iowa, Police Department, after the officers heard gun shots being fired in the area of 1200 block of Sixth Avenue and responded to that area on October 24, 2012. Officers located several people who reported being shot at by Garza before he had fled the scene. A short time later, officers located Garza in a nearby residence, and the firearm used by Garza was found hidden in a wall of the residence.

The investigation was conducted by the Council Bluffs, Iowa, Police Department, the Pottawattamie County Attorney's Office, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.

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