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## **Connecticut Man Found Guilty of Drug Conspiracy After Trial**

DAVENPORT, IA – On February 7, 2014, a twelve-member jury found Michael G. Efthimiatos, age 35, of Danbury, Connecticut guilty of conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute marijuana. The trial commenced on Monday, February 3, 2014. Michael Efthimiatos was charged along with his brother, Angelo Efthimiatos, and the jury concluded that Michael Efthimiatos was a member of the conspiracy with his brother.

Angelo Efthimiatos was arrested on February 19, 2013, in Washington, Iowa, after he landed an airplane at the Washington Municipal Airport. The airplane contained approximately 55 pounds of high grade marijuana. Angelo Efthimiatos pleaded guilty on December 20, 2013, to conspiracy to manufacture, distribute, and possess with intent to distribute more than 50 kilograms of marijuana, and a separate charge of possession with intent to distribute marijuana.

The case was investigated by the United States Department of Homeland Security Investigations and Customs and Border Protection, the United States Drug Enforcement Administration, the Washington, Iowa, Police Department, the State of Connecticut Department of Public Safety, and the Danbury, Connecticut, Police Department. The case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.

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