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## **Pottawattamie County Resident Sentenced to 70 Months in Prison for Felon in Possession of a Firearm**

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA - On October 21, 2014, Craig Duane Ellis, a 35 year-old resident of Council Bluffs, Iowa, was sentenced by United States District Court Chief Judge James E. Gritzner to 70 months in prison for being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. Ellis was also ordered to serve two years of supervised release following the imprisonment.

On July 18, 2014, Ellis pled guilty to the charge of being a felon in possession of a firearm. Ellis was pulled over for a traffic stop on February 14, 2014, in Fremont County, Iowa, and two 12-gauge shotguns were found in the vehicle. Ellis was prohibited from possessing a firearm after he pled guilty in 2001 to third degree kidnapping.

The investigation was conducted by the Fremont County, Iowa Sheriff's Office, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. This case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.

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