



The United States Department of Justice
United States Attorney's Office
Western District of Louisiana

For Immediate Release
June 14, 2012

www.justice.gov/usao/la

Stephanie A. Finley
United States Attorney
(337) 262-6618
mona.hardwick@usdoj.gov

**MAIN TARGET OF FEDERAL INVESTIGATION
PLEADS GUILTY TO DRUG CHARGES**

Shreveport, La.: United States Attorney Stephanie A. Finley announced today that David Shane Adkison, 34, of Joaquin, TX, pled guilty before U. S. District Judge Tom Stagg, to conspiracy to possess methamphetamine with intent to distribute.

In March of 2012, Adkison and nine others were indicted after an investigation conducted by the Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF). The investigation revealed that Adkison obtained large quantities of methamphetamine from East Texas for distribution in Desoto Parish and Shreveport. Several kilograms of methamphetamine worth approximately \$80,000, firearms, and \$130,000 in cash have been seized.

Adkison faces a mandatory 20 years to life in prison when he is sentenced on September 17, 2012.

OCDETF is a joint federal, state and local cooperative approach to combat drug trafficking and is the nation's primary tool for disrupting and dismantling major drug trafficking organizations, targeting national and regional level drug trafficking organizations and coordinating the necessary law enforcement entities and resources to disrupt or dismantle the targeted criminal organization and seize their assets.

This case was investigated by agents and officers of the U. S. Drug Enforcement Administration, FBI Violent Crimes Task Force, Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives, U. S. Marshall Service, Louisiana State Police, Shreveport Police Department, Desoto and Caddo Parish Sheriff's Offices, and Bossier City Police Department. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U. S. Attorneys James G. Cowles, Jr.

###