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ANTHONY GRIMES PLEADS GUILTY
TO ESCAPING FROM FEDERAL CUSTODY

ROCHESTER, N.Y.-- U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr., of the Western District of New York, announced that Anthony Grimes, 27, pleaded guilty today for escaping from federal custody. The charge carries a maximum penalty of 5 years in prison, a \$250,000 fine, or both.

Assistant U.S. Attorney John J. Field, who handled the matter, stated that Grimes willfully walked out of a half-way house operated by the Volunteers of America on July 20, 2011. At the time of his escape, Grimes was serving the final months of a federal sentence for a drug-related conviction. He was eventually apprehended by law enforcement on September 6, 2011.

The plea today is the culmination of investigative efforts by United States Deputy Marshals, acting under the direction of United States Marshal Charles Salina, and the Rochester Police Department, acting under the direction of Chief of Police James M. Sheppard.

Defendant is scheduled to be sentenced on June 27, 2012, at 10:00, by United States District Judge David Larimer.

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