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BUFFALO MAN SENTENCED ON DRUG AND FIREARMS CHARGES

BUFFALO, N.Y.--U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that Matthew Lowe, 46, of Buffalo, N.Y., who was convicted of possession with intent to distribute, and the distribution of, a controlled substance, and possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime, was sentenced to 106 months in prison followed by four years supervised release by U.S. District Court Judge Richard J. Arcara.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Mary Catherine Baumgarten, who handled the case, stated that the defendant distributed cocaine base and marijuana from a building that housed a small corner store and an apartment on East Delavan Avenue in Buffalo. In March 2010, during a search Buffalo Police, officers seized cocaine base, marijuana, United States currency, a semiautomatic pistol, a semiautomatic rifle, and ammunition.

Lowe's son and co-defendant Richard Lowe, pleaded guilty in July 2011 to unlawful user of a controlled substance in possession of a firearm. He will be sentenced on November 29, 2011.

The plea is the culmination of an investigation by Special Agents of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, under the direction of Resident Agent in Charge Frank Christiano and the Buffalo Police Department, under the direction of Commissioner Daniel Derenda.

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