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MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO FAILING TO APPEAR FOR SENTENCE

ROCHESTER, N.Y.-- U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that Christopher Rondeau, 68, formerly of Rochester, N.Y., pleaded guilty to failure to appear for sentence before U.S. District Judge David G. Larimer. The charge carries a maximum penalty of five years in prison, a fine of \$250,000 or both.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Tiffany H. Lee, who is handling the case, stated that on February 22, 1990, the defendant was sentenced to 42 months in prison by Judge Larimer and ordered to voluntarily surrender himself to a designated Bureau of Prison facility. Rondeau was notified to report to the Allenwood, PA Bureau of Prison facility on March 28, 1990. The defendant failed to appear at the facility. In March 2011, Rondeau finally turned himself in to the FBI in Louisiana.

The plea is the culmination of an investigation on the part of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, under the direction of Christopher M. Piehota, Special Agent in Charge.

Sentencing is scheduled for December 18, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. before Judge Larimer.

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