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## MAN SENTENCED ON GUN CHARGE

BUFFALO, NY - U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that Steven A. Talley, 26, of Buffalo, New York, who was convicted of being a felon in possession of a firearm, was sentenced to 40 months in prison and three years supervised release by U.S. District Court Judge Richard J. Arcara.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Richard P. Maignet, who handled the case, stated Buffalo Police executed a search warrant in March 2007, at a residence where the defendant was staying at the time. Officers discovered a loaded .22 long rifle caliber semiautomatic pistol and a loaded 9 mm caliber semiautomatic pistol. DNA recovered from the firearms was determined to be Talley's DNA. The defendant had previously been convicted of a felony offense and has other, unrelated felony offenses pending against him in state court.

The sentencing is the result of an investigation by the Buffalo Police Department, under the direction of Commissioner Daniel Derenda and Special Agents of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives from the Buffalo Field Office, under the direction of Resident Agent in Charge Frank J. Christiano.