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## **Bardstown Man Sentenced to 135 months for Armed Drug Trafficking**

**LEXINGTON, Ky.** — Michael Steven Lyvers, 41, of Bardstown, Kentucky, was sentenced today, to 135 months in federal prison, by United States District Judge Karen K. Caldwell, for possession with intent to distribute Methamphetamine and possession of a firearm in furtherance of drug trafficking.

In March 2018, detectives with the Lexington Police Department received information that Michael Lyvers was distributing methamphetamine from the Days Inn. During the investigation, officers located 491 grams of methamphetamine, a small amount of heroin and cocaine, and a .380 handgun. During his guilty plea, Lyvers admitted to the distribution of methamphetamine and to possessing the firearm for protection during his drug trafficking.

Under federal law, Stackhouse must serve 85 percent of his prison sentence; and upon his release, he will be under the supervision of the United States Probation Office for five years.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky; Stuart Lowrey, Special Agent in Charge of the ATF; and Lawrence Weathers, Chief of the Lexington Police Department jointly made the announcement.

The ATF and the Lexington Police Department conducted the investigation. The United States was represented by Assistant United States Attorney Cynthia T. Rieker.

This case is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN), a program bringing together all levels of law enforcement and the communities they serve to reduce violent

crime and make our neighborhoods safer for everyone. The PSN program was reinvigorated as part of the Department's renewed focus on targeting violent criminals, directing all U.S. Attorney's Offices to work in partnership with federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement and the local community to develop effective, locally-based strategies to reduce violent crime.

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