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Hazard Man Sentenced to 115 Months for Possession of a Firearm by Convicted Felon and Bank Robbery

LONDON, Ky. - Robert Dale Terry, 53, of Hazard, Kentucky, was sentenced to 115 months in federal prison on Wednesday, for possession of a firearm by a convicted felon in furtherance of taking money by force, violence, and intimidation, by U.S. District Judge Robert E. Weir.

According to Terry's plea agreement, he admitted that, on May 21, 2018, he entered the Hyden Citizen's Bank in Leslie County and gave a teller a note that instructed employees to fill a green money bag and that "know {sic} one would get hurt." Terry admitted to stealing \$16,080 from the bank. After Terry left the bank, several dye packs exploded; he spent the unaffected money and burnt the affected money.

On June 22, 2018, Terry also admitted to entering the First National Bank of Manchester, in Clay County, and presenting another handwritten note that directed bank employees to fill a money bag and that "know {sic} one will get hurt." The Defendant stole \$3,340 from the second bank. Terry also admitted to knowing that he was prohibited from possessing a firearm, based on his prior felony convictions.

Terry pleaded guilty to the charges in July 2019. Terry was previously convicted in Perry County Circuit Court of possession and trafficking of a controlled substance, for which he was sentenced to five years in prison.

Under federal law, Terry must serve 85 percent of their prison sentences and will be under the supervision of the U.S. Probation Office for three years.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky, James Robert Brown, Jr., Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, jointly announced the sentences.

The investigation was conducted by the FBI. The U.S. Attorney's Office was represented by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Jenna E. Reed and Rajbir Datta.

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