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Jeffersonville Man Sentenced to 78 Months for Firearm Offenses and Drug Trafficking

LEXINGTON, Ky. - A Jeffersonville, Kentucky, man, Ryan Keith Herndon, 30, was sentenced on Friday to 78 months in federal prison, by U.S. District Judge Karen Caldwell, for selling a firearm to a convicted felon, possessing a firearm as a convicted felon, and distributing a mixture of heroin, valeryl fentanyl, fentanyl, and methamphetamine.

According to his plea agreement, Herndon admitted that on May 9 and 10 he sold two firearms to a Confidential Informant (CI), who Herndon knew to be a convicted felon at the time of the transactions. Herndon further admitted that he was also a convicted felon and prohibited from owning a firearm. Herndon also admitted to arranging the purchase of and providing various narcotics mixtures to another CI, on May 21 and 22, 2019.

Under federal law, Herndon must serve 85 percent of his prison sentence and will be under the supervision of the U.S. Probation Office for three years, upon his release.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky, and Shawn Morrow, Special Agent in Charge, ATF, Louisville Field Division, and Chief Terry Landrum, Mt. Sterling Police Department, jointly made the announcement.

The investigation was directed by ATF, with the assistance of the Gateway Area AHIDTA Task Force. The United States was represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Francisco Villalobos.

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