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Detroit Man Sentenced to 148 Months for Fentanyl Trafficking Conspiracy

LEXINGTON, KY- A Detroit, Michigan, man, Dayquan Dejon Johnson, 23, was sentenced in federal court on Friday to 148 months in prison, by Chief U.S. District Judge Danny Reeves, for conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute 40 grams or more of fentanyl and aiding and abetting possession with intent to distribute fentanyl.

According to his plea agreement, Johnson admitted that since at least 2018, he conspired with Dejon Johnson, Melinda Parks, Melissa Shortridge, and others to distribute heroin and fentanyl in the Eastern District of Kentucky.

Johnson pleaded guilty in May 2020.

Johnson's co-defendants have been sentenced. Dejon Johnson received 46 months and four years of supervised release; Parks received 78 months and five years of supervised release; and Shortridge received 70 months and three years of supervised release.

In addition to the prison sentence, Johnson was ordered to pay a \$3,500 fine. Under federal law, Johnson and his co-defendants must serve 85 percent of their prison sentence. Upon his release, Johnson will be under the supervision of the U.S. Probation Office for five years.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky, and Jeffrey T. Scott, Special Agent in Charge, DEA Louisville; made the announcement. The investigation was pursued by DEA, KSP, and the Winchester Police Department. The United States was represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Emily Greenfield.

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