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Richmond Man Sentenced to 72 Months for Acetylfentanyl and Methamphetamine Trafficking

LEXINGTON, KY. - A Richmond, Ky., man, Terry Smith, 44, was sentenced in federal court on Monday, to 72 months in prison, by U.S. District Judge Karen Caldwell, after pleading guilty to possession with intent to distribute 10 grams or more of acetylfentanyl and possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine.

According to Smith's plea agreement, on September 4, 2018, law enforcement conducted a traffic stop on Smith's vehicle and located a chip can with a false bottom that contained 17.43 grams of acetylfentanyl and 27.99 grams of methamphetamine. Smith admitted to possession of the narcotics for further distribution.

Smith pleaded guilty in July 2019.

Under federal law, Smith must serve 85 percent of his prison sentence 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; and Shawn Morrow, Special Agent in Charge, ATF, Louisville Field Division; and James Ebert, Chief of Police, Richmond Police Department, jointly made the announcement.

The investigation was directed by the ATF, Madison County High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Task Force, and Richmond Police Department. The United States was represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Cynthia Rieker.

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