

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**


UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	*	CRIMINAL NO. 21-178
v.	*	SECTION: "E"
LAURANCE WILSON	*	
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FACTUAL BASIS

The defendant, **LAURANCE WILSON** ("WILSON"), has agreed to plead guilty as charged to Count One of the Indictment. Count One charges the defendant with being a felon in possession of a firearm, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1). Should this matter have gone to trial, the government would have proven, through the introduction of competent testimony and other admissible evidence, the following facts, beyond a reasonable doubt, to support the allegations in the Indictment now pending against the defendant:

Count 1

On April 29, 2020, members of the Slidell Police Department responded to reports of gunshots fired in the vicinity of [REDACTED] Asheville Dr., Slidell, LA. After arriving, they located a crashed red Mercedes Benz sedan with temporary Louisiana license plate [REDACTED] (the "Mercedes"). They also located [REDACTED] who had been shot in the arm and was bleeding. Slidell officers observed multiple casings on the ground and bullet holes in the Mercedes. **WILSON** admits that he was inside the vehicle with [REDACTED] prior to the police arriving. **WILSON** was also a victim of the shooting.

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Defendant	<u>Lw</u>
Defense Counsel	<u>SS</u>

Later, **WILSON** was brought to the Slidell Police Department, and provided with his *Miranda* warnings. **WILSON** heard his *Miranda* warnings, understood them, and agreed to provide a statement. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On April 30, 2020, members of the Slidell Police department executed a state search warrant on the Mercedes. During that, they seized paperwork tying **WILSON** to the vehicle, including his driver's license and documents showing the sale of the Mercedes to **WILSON**. In the trunk, Slidell PD seized one Del-Ton Inc. DTI-15 5.56mm rifle bearing serial number [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On June 28, 2021, **WILSON** was interviewed by FBI agents in Lafayette, Louisiana. Prior to the interview, **WILSON** was provided his *Miranda* warnings. **WILSON** heard his warnings, understood them, and wished to provide a statement. [REDACTED]

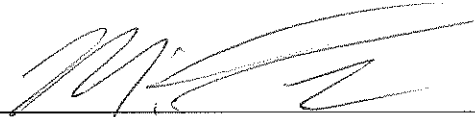
[REDACTED]

Prior to possessing the firearm mentioned above, **WILSON** knew he had previously been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year. In fact, on March 25, 2014, **WILSON** plead guilty in the 19th Judicial District Court, Case No. DC-04-13-1126, for simple robbery, in violation of Louisiana R.S. 14:65.

An ATF expert would testify that the Del-Ton Inc. DTI-15 5.56mm rifle possessed by **WILSON** on April 29, 2020, was not manufactured in Louisiana. As a result, the weapon necessarily had been shipped and transported in interstate commerce prior to them being possessed by **WILSON** in the Eastern District of Louisiana. The weapon also qualifies as a “firearm” as that term is defined in the relevant portions of federal law.


This proffer of evidence is not intended to constitute a complete statement of all facts known to the Government, but rather is a minimum statement of facts intended to prove the necessary factual predicate for the guilty plea. The limited purpose of this factual basis is to satisfy the Court that there is a sufficient basis in fact for **WILSON**’s guilty plea.

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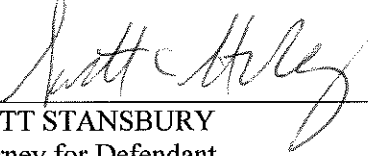
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