

U.S. DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA
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CAROL L. LINDSEY

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

FELONY

INDICTMENT FOR VIOLATIONS
OF THE FEDERAL GUN CONTROL ACT

23-00012

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

* CRIMINAL NO.

v.

* SECTION:

SECT. JMAG.1

MAURICE FLORANT

* VIOLATIONS: 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1)
18 U.S.C. § 924(a)(8)
* 18 U.S.C. § 2

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The Grand Jury charges that:

COUNT 1

(Felon in Possession of a Firearm)

On or about September 5, 2022, in the Eastern District of Louisiana, the defendant, **MAURICE FLORANT**, knowing he had been previously convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, to wit:

1. On or about August 24, 2009, in Orleans Parish Criminal District Court, State of Louisiana, in Case # 467974, the Defendant, **MAURICE FLORANT** was sentenced to five years imprisonment for the felony offense of Manslaughter in violation of L.R.S. 14:31.

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2. On or about January 4, 2012, in the 24th Judicial District Court, Parish of Jefferson, State of Louisiana, in Case # 11-02106, the Defendant, **MAURICE FLORANT** was sentenced to fifteen years imprisonment for the felony offense of convicted felon with a weapon in violation of L.R.S. 14.95.1.

did knowingly possess firearms to wit: a Palmetto State Armory PA-15 .556 caliber pistol, serial number [REDACTED] and a CZ Scorpion EVO 3 S1 9mm pistol, serial number [REDACTED] said firearms having been in and affecting commerce; in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(g)(1), 924(a)(8) and 2.

COUNT 2

(Felon in Possession of Firearms)

On or about September 9, 2022, in the Eastern District of Louisiana, the defendant, **MAURICE FLORANT**, knowing he had been previously convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, to wit:

1. On or about August 24, 2009, in Orleans Parish Criminal District Court, State of Louisiana, in Case # 467974, the Defendant, **MAURICE FLORANT** was sentenced to five years imprisonment for the felony offense of Manslaughter in violation of L.R.S. 14:31.
2. On or about January 4, 2012, in the 24th Judicial District Court, Parish of Jefferson, State of Louisiana, in Case # 11-02106, the Defendant, **MAURICE FLORANT** was sentenced to fifteen years imprisonment for the felony offense of convicted felon with a weapon in violation of L.R.S. 14.95.1.

did knowingly possess firearms to wit: a Palmetto State Armory PA-15 .556 caliber pistol, serial number [REDACTED] and a CZ Scorpion EVO 3 S1 9mm pistol, serial number [REDACTED] said

firearms having been in and affecting commerce; in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(g)(1) and 924(a)(8).

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

1. The allegations of Count 1 and 2 of this Indictment are incorporated by reference as though set forth fully herein for the purpose of alleging forfeiture to the United States.

2. As a result of the offenses alleged in Counts 1 and 2, the defendant, **MAURICE FLORANT**, shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(d)(1), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any firearm or ammunition involved in or used in the commission of said offense, including but not limited to any of the following:

Palmetto State Armory PA-15 .556 caliber pistol, serial number

[REDACTED]

CZ Scorpion EVO 3 S1 9mm pistol, serial number

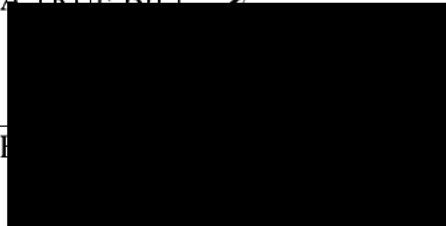
[REDACTED]

3. If any of the above-described property, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;
- c. has been placed beyond jurisdiction of the Court;
- d. has been substantially diminished in value; or
- e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty;

the United States shall seek a money judgment and, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), forfeiture of any other property of the defendant up to the value of said property.

A TRUE BILL.



DUANE A. EVANS
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark A. Miller", is written over a horizontal line.

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New Orleans, Louisiana
January 26, 2023