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ANDERSON WHITE SUPREMACIST ORDERED BACK TO PRISON

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced that CHRISTOPHER DALE EASELY, 26, of Anderson, California, was sentenced today by United States District Judge Garland E. Burrell, Jr. to an additional 12 months in prison for violating the terms of his supervised release.

EASELY served a 41-month federal prison sentence after pleading guilty to conspiracy to violate civil rights and interference with housing rights, based on an act of cross burning on the front lawn of an African-American family's home in Anderson on January 2, 2004. EASELY admitted on May 16, 2008 that he had violated the terms of his release by testing positive for the use of methamphetamine and failing to appear for drug testing. The petition to revoke his release was filed by the U.S. Probation Office.

EASELY will not be eligible for early release and will be required to serve the full 12 months in federal prison. He was ordered to begin his prison sentence on July 11, 2008.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Benjamin B. Wagner, who prosecuted the case, EASELY admitted that he had recently been distributing white supremacist literature in Redding, California. In urging the Court to remand EASELY into custody immediately, Wagner told the Court that EASELY had been deliberately provocative towards other persons in the community, including Shasta County Citizens Against Racism.

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