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EVENT: Sentenced

Defendant: Charles Edward Flenory

**FATHER SENTENCED FOR LAUNDERING MONEY
FOR DRUG DEALING SONS**

Charles Edward Flenory, 60, of Detroit, Michigan, was sentenced to 18 months imprisonment, followed by two years of supervised release, as the result of his pleading guilty to money laundering conspiracy charges, United States Attorney Stephen J. Murphy announced.

Mr. Murphy was joined in the announcement by Special Agent in Charge Robert L. Corso, Drug Enforcement Administration and Special Agent in Charge Maurice Aouate, Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division.

According to court records, Charles Edward Flenory, father of convicted drug dealers Demetrius and Terry Flenory, accepted money which he knew was from the proceeds of cocaine sales to pay for the remodeling and repair of a home owned by his sons. Flenory did so in order to conceal the source and ownership of the drug trafficking proceeds.

The Flenory brothers pleaded guilty to narcotic charges and are currently awaiting sentencing. They admitted to leading of a criminal enterprise involving the large scale

distribution of cocaine. They also admitted to obtaining millions of dollars in cash from the sale of cocaine and using these illegal proceeds to purchase real estate, vehicles and jewelry. They have agreed to a sentence between 30 years and life and to a money judgment in the amount of \$270 million.

United States Attorney Murphy said, "The desire to hide illegal drug trafficking profits leads drug dealers to exploit their own families, sadly enough. It is another cost and consequence of the destructive and dangerous drug trade."

The investigation of this case has been conducted by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division.