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ARMED GAS STATION ROBBER SENTENCED TO 32 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON

Defendant Sentenced for Using a Firearm During Two Crimes of Violence

Atlanta, GA - CHRISTOPHER OCTAVIOUS JACKSON, 22, of Stone Mountain, Georgia, was sentenced today by United States District Judge Jack T. Camp on charges of using a firearm during multiple armed robberies.

United States Attorney David E. Nahmias said of the case, "This defendant went on a one-day violent crime spree. Now he will spend most of the rest of his life in federal prison, locked safely away from the innocent people who will long remember what happened to them as crime victims that day."

Special Agent in Charge Gregory K. Gant of ATF's Atlanta Field Division said, "We applaud the respective police departments who investigated side by side with ATF and the district attorneys for their willingness to bring these cases into the federal arena. It's 'game over' for this violent predator. He will now spend more than three decades in a prison system without parole."

JACKSON was sentenced to 32 years in prison to be followed by 5 years of supervised release. There is no parole in the federal system. On September 23, 2008, JACKSON pleaded guilty to firearms charges related to multiple armed robberies he committed in September 2006.

According to United States Attorney Nahmias and the information presented in court: On September 7, 2006, Jackson committed two armed robberies of metro area gas stations, the BP Gas Station located at 2832 North Decatur Road, Decatur, Georgia and the Citgo Gas Station located at 1203 Collier Road, Atlanta, Georgia. Jackson entered both locations, approached the store clerks, brandished a firearm, and demanded all of the money from the cash register. Customers were present on both occasions.

This case was investigated by Special Agents of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF).

Assistant United States Attorney Jamila Hall prosecuted the case.

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