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**TWO-TIME FELON SENTENCED TO 16 YEARS AND 2 MONTHS FOR
ARMED ROBBERIES IN McCRACKEN COUNTY**

PADUCAH, KY - Darryl L. McGuire, age 29, of 3007 Virginia Street, Paducah, Kentucky, in McCracken County, was sentenced to 16 years and 2 months imprisonment in United States District Court, Paducah, Kentucky, for the armed robberies of two food establishments and the possession of a firearm in relation to one of the robberies and while he was a convicted felon, U.S. Attorney David L. Huber of the Western District of Kentucky, and Paul Vido, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Louisville Field Division, jointly announced today. Hon. Thomas B. Russell, Judge, United States District Court, also sentenced McGuire to 5 years supervised release following incarceration. In addition, restitution in the amount of \$990.48 was imposed.

US Attorney Huber said that McGuire was sentenced under a federal statute, the Hobbs Act, that permits federal prosecution of certain individuals who rob local businesses under threat of force when their actions affect interstate commerce. Huber also praised the McCracken County Commonwealth Attorney for his cooperation and the Paducah Police Department for “their investigation in taking this now three-time felon out of circulation in McCracken County. There is no parole in the federal system.”

McGuire had plead guilty to all federal offenses charged in the Indictment. McGuire admitted that on September 25, 2007, about 9:30 p.m., he robbed a SteakOut food establishment

in McCracken County, Kentucky and used a .38 caliber revolver in demanding money from employees. McGuire also admitted that on September 26, 2007, about 8:45 p.m., he robbed a Quizno's food establishment in McCracken County in the same manner. McGuire further stated that he had been convicted of receiving stolen property in 2002, and first degree burglary, theft by unlawful taking and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon in 2003, all of which were felonies. When he used the firearm in the robberies of the food establishments, he admitted that he had knowingly possessed the .38 caliber revolver while he was a convicted felon. The total amount of money McGuire took from both robberies was approximately \$990.00.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney David Sparks. The Bowling Green Field Office of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) conducted the investigation in partnership with the Paducah Police Department, as part of the ATF's mandated mission to reduce violent crime and other threats to public safety.

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