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UPDATE: PROJECT CEASEFIRE
KC FELON SENTENCED FOR ILLEGAL FIREARM

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man was sentenced in federal court today for being a felon in possession of a firearm.

Seno J. Carter, 48, of Kansas City, Mo., was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Ortrie D. Smith this afternoon to 15 years in federal prison without parole.

On Sept. 2, 2004, **Carter** pleaded guilty to being a felon in possession of a firearm. By pleading guilty, **Carter** admitted he was in possession of a Savage Arms bolt-action .22-caliber rifle on Feb. 24, 2004. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for any felon to be in possession of a firearm or ammunition. **Carter** has three 1992 criminal felony convictions for sale of a controlled substance, a 1992 criminal felony conviction for trafficking and a 1982 criminal felony conviction for robbery.

This case was prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael J. Hunt. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Project Ceasefire

Project Ceasefire, launched in October 1999, is a cooperative initiative by federal and

local law enforcement and the Kansas City Crime Commission that targets for federal prosecution persons who unlawfully use or possess firearms.

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