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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, Acting United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Clarence L. Bell, DOB: 07/25/84 pleaded guilty today in United States District Court in Madison to unlawfully possessing a sawed-off Remington shotgun on October 20, 2004, in Madison. The firearm was located during a search of 4606 Jenewein Road, Apartment #3. The government established that Bell was living at that apartment, and that he knew the shotgun was there. As a convicted felon, Bell is prohibited from possessing firearms. Bell has several felony convictions, including a 2001 battery to prisoners conviction from Waukesha County.

United States District Judge John C. Shabaz scheduled sentencing for April 22, 2005, at 1:45 p.m. Bell faces a maximum penalty of ten years in prison, a three-year term of supervised release and a \$250,000 fine.

The charge against Bell was the result of an investigation conducted by the Madison Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. Prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant United States Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow

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