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### **LATTA MAN SENTENCED FOR POSSESSING DRUGS, GUNS**

Columbia, South Carolina ---- United States Attorney Reginald I. Lloyd stated that Floyd Johnson, III, age 34, of Latta, South Carolina, was sentenced to 60 months imprisonment by United States District Judge R. Bryan Harwell, for possession of a controlled substance with intent to distribute and possession of a firearm during a drug trafficking crime.

In May 2006, Johnson was stopped at a driver's license check-point in Dillon County. While arresting Johnson for a suspended license, officers patted him down and found a bag of blue pills in Johnson's pocket. A search of his car revealed 34.17 grams of cocaine and several pills in small plastic bags ready for sale. Officers also found four loaded pistols and a 12-gauge shotgun.

The case was investigated by the South Carolina Highway Patrol and

agents of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF).  
Assistant United States Attorney Rose Mary Parham of the Florence office is  
handling prosecution of the case as part of Project CeaseFire, which seeks to  
prosecute individuals who unlawfully use or possess firearms.

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