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## **Dillon Felon Sentenced for Possession of Firearm**

Columbia, South Carolina---- Acting United States Attorney Kevin F. McDonald stated that Terry Lamont Smith, age 24, of Dillon, South Carolina, was sentenced in federal court by United States District R. Bryan Harwell to 10 years for being a felon in possession of a firearm.

On December 16, 2006, police responded to a shooting at the Tiger Mart located at 1208 East Main Street in Dillon. Upon arrival officers found the victim lying on the floor with a single gun shot wound to the right side of his chest. Witnesses told police the victim was vacuuming a female's car when Smith approached wearing a ski mask and began a fight with the victim. When Smith's mask came off during the struggle, the victim recognized Smith. Smith then shot the victim and fled the scene.

Smith has prior felony convictions for burglary, grand larceny and distribution of crack.

The case was investigated by the Dillon Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF). Assistant United States Attorney Rose Mary Parham of the Florence office prosecuted the case as part of Project CeaseFire, an initiative of the United States Attorneys Office that seeks to aggressively prosecute gun-related crimes.

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