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RED SPRINGS MAN SENTENCED TO 20 YEARS
FOR FIREARMS CHARGES

RALEIGH - United States Attorney George E.B. Holding announced that in federal court yesterday Senior United States District Judge W. Earl Britt sentenced **BRANDON LEE MCMILLIAN**, 28, of Red Springs, North Carolina, to 240 months' imprisonment followed by three years supervised release.

A Federal Grand Jury returned a Superseding Criminal Indictment on March 19, 2008. On May 6, 2008, **MCMILLIAN** pled guilty to two counts of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. On December 27, 2007, during an altercation outside of a grocery store in Red Springs, **MCMILLIAN**, shot and killed another individual with a C.N. Romarm SKS rifle. On September 15, 2007, **MCMILLIAN** shot and killed another individual using a .45 caliber Springfield Armory Model XD45 pistol,.

MCMILLIAN's prior convictions include felony possession of cocaine, felony larceny, and assault with a deadly weapon that was reduced to a misdemeanor.

"The sentence handed down today is proof that settling disputes with gunplay is not and will not be tolerated. The threat

Mr. McMillian posed has been taken off the street and put behind bars for a long while," commented Mr. Holding.

This case is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods which encourages federal, state, and local agencies to cooperate in a unified "team effort" against gun crime, targeting repeat offenders who continually plague their communities.

Investigation of the case was conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosive. Assistant United States Attorney Jane Jackson served as prosecutor for the government.

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