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LAWRENCE, KANSAS MAN SENTENCED FOR BEING A FELON IN POSSESSION OF A FIREARM

KANSAS CITY, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that **Travis S. Loeser**, 21, Lawrence, Kansas, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Carlos Murguia to **27 months in federal prison, without parole, to be followed by two years of supervised release.**

Melgren said that Loeser entered a guilty plea on May 3, 2004, to one count of **being a felon in possession of a firearm.**

Melgren said that Loeser admitted at his plea that on November 21, 2003, he possessed a rifle in Lawrence, Kansas. Loeser further admitted that he had been convicted in 2002 of a felony, aggravated battery, in Douglas County, Kansas. Loeser admitted that he knew that because of his prior conviction he was prohibited from owning or possessing a firearm.

Melgren commended the excellent work of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and the Lawrence Police Department in this investigation and Assistant U.S. Attorney Terra Morehead in this prosecution.