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TUCSON MAN FOUND GUILTY OF FAILURE TO REGISTER AS SEX OFFENDER

TUCSON, Ariz. - Christopher Matthew Clements, 26, of Tucson, was found guilty here yesterday of Failing to Register as a Sex Offender following a bench trial before U.S. District Court Judge David C. Bury on August 5, 2008. Clements remains in federal custody pending sentencing set for October 16, 2008, at 9:30 a.m.

The evidence at this week's trial showed that Clements, a convicted sex offender, traveled to Arizona from Oregon in early October 2007. He remained in Arizona until he was arrested by the U.S. Marshals Service on February 15, 2008. During this time frame, Clements never registered his address with the proper law enforcement authorities in Arizona, nor did he update his registration in Oregon to reflect that he had moved. His original convictions in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, Multnomah County for two counts of Attempted Unlawful Forceful Penetration with an Instrument required that he serve 18 months in prison for Count I, with 34 months in prison on Count II, to run consecutive. Clements was placed on a period of post-prison supervision for 10 years, minus the time he actually served.

The Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 was enacted on July 27, 2006. Title I of this Act is the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act which requires persons convicted of a sex offence to register as a sex offender with local law enforcement in the state where they reside, including providing a current address. They are also required to update their sex offender registry with a new address within three business days of moving. A conviction for Failing to Register as a Sex Offender carries a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison, a \$250,000 fine or both. In determining an actual sentence, Judge Bury will consult the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines, which provide appropriate sentencing ranges. The judge, however, is not bound by those guidelines in determining a sentence.

The investigation leading to the guilty verdict was conducted by the U.S. Marshals Service. The prosecution was handled by Shelley K.G. Clemens, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson.

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