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WARRICK COUNTY FELON SENTENCED TO 15 YEARS AS ARMED CAREER CRIMINAL FOR POSSESSION OF FIREARMS

PRESS RELEASE

Timothy M. Morrison, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that ANDREW C. KOONS, 28, of Boonville, Indiana, was sentenced to 180 months imprisonment today by U.S. District Judge Richard L. Young following his guilty plea to possession of a firearm by a felon. This case was the result of a investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco Firearms and Explosives and the Warrick County Sheriff's Department.

On April 19, 2007, KOONS possessed four firearms after he had sustained multiple felony convictions. KOONS' four prior felony convictions were for arson, burglary and resisting law enforcement, qualifying him for the enhanced penalty as an Armed Career Criminal. Possession of a firearm after conviction of a felony carries a maximum ten-year sentence. However, a person qualifying as an Armed Career Criminal must receive a minimum, mandatory fifteen years in prison.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Todd S. Shellenbarger, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Young also imposed 5 years supervised release following KOONS' release from imprisonment. During the period of supervised release, KOONS must not possess firearms or destructive devices.

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