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BANK ROBBER SENTENCED TO 285 MONTHS IN PRISON

PRESS RELEASE

Timothy M. Morrison, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that TRACY A. CARSON, 41, Indianapolis, Indiana, was sentenced to 285 months imprisonment today by U.S. District Judge Larry J. McKinney following his guilty plea to armed bank robbery and carrying a gun during the robbery. This case was the result of a investigation by the Indiana State Police, Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department, Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco Firearms and Explosives, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

On April 25, 2007, at about 1:00 p.m., Carson entered the Chase Bank branch at 7001 Madison Ave. Carrying a handgun, he threatened to shoot the employees and tellers and himself, and demanded the money from the vault. Carson successfully obtained nearly \$124,000. Later that day, law enforcement officers obtained a search warrant for a hotel room in Indianapolis where Carson had checked in at about 3:30 p.m. The search warrant was served in the early morning hours of April 26, 2007. Officers found Carson inside, along with nearly \$106,000 of the bank's money still wrapped in identifying wrappers, illegal street drugs, alcohol, the gun, and the latex gloves he wore. Carson admitted being the bank robber.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Gayle L. Helart, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge McKinney also imposed 5 years supervised release following CARSON's release from imprisonment. During the period of supervised release, CARSON must get drug treatment. CARSON was ordered to make restitution in excess of \$16,000.

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