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Mississippi Delta Man Sentenced for Federal Gun Charges

OXFORD, MS – De'Erick Demon Calvin Jr., 23, of Greenville was sentenced today to almost five years in prison, followed by three years of supervised release in connection with his guilty plea on federal gun charges. This sentence was announced by U.S. Attorney Scott Leary and Greenville Police Chief Marcus Turner.

According to court documents, Calvin previously pleaded guilty to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. U.S. District Court Judge James D. Maxwell, II, sentenced the defendant to 57 months of incarceration followed by three years of supervised release. Calvin was remanded to the custody of the U.S. Marshals Service following sentencing.

U.S. Attorney Scott Leary stated, "This office and our partners will do everything in our power to protect the public, and a huge step in that direction is getting guns out of the hands of criminals. We and our partners are committed to a simple proposition, that we will work with our state or federal law enforcement partners to hold criminals accountable."

Greenville Police Chief Marcus R. Turner, Sr. stated, "The Greenville Police Department remains committed to removing illegal firearms from our streets and holding those who threaten the safety of our community accountable. This sentencing sends a strong message that gun-related offenses will be taken seriously and that those who violate the law will face consequences. Through our continued partnership with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) and the U.S. Attorney's Office, we will remain aggressive in our efforts to combat violent crime and make Greenville a safer place to live, work, and raise a family."

This case was investigated by the Greenville Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Mims prosecuted the case.

Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) is the Department of Justice's nationwide initiative that brings federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement, prosecutors, and other public safety partners together to coordinate efforts to combat violent crime and make communities safe. Coordinated by U.S. Attorneys' offices in each of the 94 federal districts, PSN is tailored to particular communities to strategically address specific violent crime and public safety challenges. As a key component of Operation Take Back America, PSN serves a central role in the Department's commitment to make our country safe. PSN emphasizes three core principles: rapid federal response to violent crime and criminal offenders; strong, strategic partnerships among law enforcement at all levels; and accountability and deterrence through the prosecution of the most serious, readily provable offenses

and other strategies. These efforts complement and strengthen President Trump's Homeland Security Task Forces, ensuring a comprehensive federal response to the most pressing public safety issues facing communities.

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