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Mount Pleasant Drug Trafficker Sentenced to Fourteen Years in Prison

Charleston, S.C. –Solicitor Scarlett A. Wilson announced that the defendant, Antonio Campbell, pled guilty to trafficking cocaine, greater than 28 grams but less than 100 grams, trafficking marijuana, greater than 10 pounds but less than 100 pounds, unlawful possession of a firearm, and possession of a weapon during the commission of a violent crime. Pursuant to a negotiated plea, Circuit Court Judge Markley Dennis sentenced the Defendant to 14 years on trafficking cocaine and trafficking marijuana, no parole, along with 5 years on the gun charges with all the sentences to run concurrently.

The case was investigated by Detective Goode of the Mount Pleasant Police Department with assistance from the Charleston County Sheriff's Office METRO Unit. The case was prosecuted by Assistant Solicitor Charles M. Condon, Jr., of the Ninth Circuit Solicitor's Office.

On July 9, 2015, at around 2:30 p.m., Mount Pleasant Police Department narcotics set up a sale for 50 pounds of marijuana at \$2,850 pound. The deal occurred at the Carrabbas' parking lot in Mt. Pleasant, the same location where the informant had previously sold the Defendant large quantities of marijuana. The Defendant arrived with over \$100,000. Detectives then busted the Defendant's vehicle where they recovered over 70 grams of cocaine and a Glock .40 caliber pistol in a secret trap compartment under the center console along with another handgun in the glovebox.

The Defendant Antonio Campbell had previous convictions for trafficking cocaine, possession with intent to distribute marijuana, possession with intent to distribute crack proximity of a school, possession with intent to distribute cocaine in the proximity of a school, failure to stop for blue lights, unlawful carry, receiving stolen goods, and drug possession. After the sentencing, Assistant Solicitor Charles Condon stated, "we are glad this gun-toting trafficker is off the streets."

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