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Convicted Felon Sentenced to 120 Months for Possession of a Firearm

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LONDON, Ky. — A convicted felon from Corbin, Ky., William L. Phipps, 55, was sentenced on Tuesday, May 22, to serve 120 months in federal prison for possession of a firearm by United States District Court Judge Danny C. Reeves, U.S. Attorney Amul R. Thapar and Paul Vido, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Louisville Field Division, jointly announced today.

Phipps pleaded guilty in December of last year. In the course of his guilty plea, Phipps admitted that he was found in February of 2006, in possession of 30 firearms and 7,393 rounds of ammunition. 29 of the firearms were found in Phipps' residence and one firearm was located in Phipps' vehicle.

Phipps was convicted in Knox County Circuit Court of storehouse breaking, a felony, in June 11, 1974.

Under federal law, Phipps must serve 85 percent of his prison sentence and upon release, will be under the supervision of the United States Probation Office for three years.

The investigation was conducted by the Agents from the London, Kentucky Field Office of the United States Bureau for Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. Assistant United States Attorney Gregory Ousley represented the United States in the case.

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