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HULL MAN SENTENCED FOR FEDERAL FIREARMS VIOLATIONS

BEAUMONT, TX – United States Attorney John L. Ratcliffe announced today that a 40-year-old Hull man has been sentenced to 33 months in federal prison for being a felon in possession of a firearm in the Eastern District of Texas.

SHANE EUGENE RUSHING was convicted by a jury on May 24, 2007. He was sentenced today by United States District Judge Marcia Crone.

According to information presented in court, on April 25, 2006, the Liberty County Sheriff's Department was dispatched to Rushing's residence in Hull in reference to a complaint that Rushing had threatened his adopted father with a shotgun. The evidence showed that Rushing had been upset that his father's dog had attacked Rushing's bird. The responding officers, on confronting Rushing, discovered two shotgun shells in his pocket. They also discovered the shotgun that Rushing had used to threaten his father, which Rushing admitted was his. Due to his previous felony convictions for Indecency with a Child and Grand Theft Auto, Rushing was indicted for violating federal firearms laws.

The case was investigated by the Liberty County Sheriff's Department, the Liberty County Constable's Office, the Daisetta Police Department, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Randall L. Fluke and Special Assistant United States Attorney Chris Tortorice.

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