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### **Muscatine County Man Sentenced For Possessing A Sawed-Off Shotgun**

DAVENPORT - On October 31, 2006, Delbert Evan Ibbotson, age 45, of Letts, Iowa, was sentenced to a term of 30 months imprisonment based on his conviction for possessing a sawed-off shotgun, announced United States Attorney Matthew G. Whitaker. Additionally, United States District Judge James E. Gritzner ordered Ibbotson to serve a three-year term of supervised release after imprisonment and pay a \$200 assessment to the crime victim fund.

On July 10, 2006, Ibbotson pleaded guilty to the illegal weapon possession charge. The evidence established that on May 16, 2006, Ibbotson was involved in a domestic dispute with a girlfriend. During the course of the dispute, he struck the girlfriend, threatened her, and displayed a sawed-off shotgun. The girlfriend called police, who stopped Ibbotson's car and found a loaded sawed-off shotgun on the floorboard next to the driver's seat.

This case was investigated by the Johnson County Sheriff's Office, Muscatine Police Department, and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives( ATF).

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