

Fleeing Henderson Man Sentenced To 15 Years For Drug And Firearm Crimes

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A Henderson man was sentenced to 189 months in prison for possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Included in this sentence is 24 months in prison for violating the terms of his federal supervised release.

According to court documents, on September 13, 2019, Jasmele Robinson, 37, fled from deputies of the Vance County Sheriff's Office when they attempted to serve a search warrant at his residence. Deputies obtained a search warrant after they utilized a confidential informant to purchase heroin from Robinson at his Henderson residence. When deputies arrived to serve the warrant, Robinson fled the residence in a car. Deputies attempted to block his car with their patrol vehicles and Robinson rammed their cars and drove away before striking a tree.

Robinson continued to struggle with deputies after he wrecked his vehicle and threw a bag underneath the wrecked car. When deputies recovered the bag, they found a quantity of heroin. Upon Robinson's arrest, he was found with a loaded firearm, which had been stolen from Granville County. Four deputies' sustained injuries in the incident, two of them suffering serious injuries, which required hospitalization and surgery. At the time of the incident, Robinson was on federal supervised release following a prior conviction in federal court for felon in possession of a firearm.

Robert J. Higdon, Jr., U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina made the announcement after sentencing by Chief U.S. District Judge Terrence W. Boyle. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF), the State Bureau of Investigation (SBI), the Henderson Police Department, and the Vance County Sheriff's Office investigated the case and Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert J. Dodson prosecuted the case.