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Georgia Man Sentenced for Illegal Transfer of Firearms

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U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of New York

ALBANY, NEW YORK – Devon Newsome, age 32, of Forrest Park, Georgia, was sentenced today to 60 months in prison for unlawfully transferring firearms to a New York resident.

United States Attorney Carla B. Freedman; Frank A. Tarentino III, Special Agent in Charge of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), New York Field Division; and Bryan Miller, Special Agent in Charge of the New York Field Division of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF), made the announcement.

When he pled guilty, Newsome admitted that on May 21, 2023, he delivered 29 firearms to a New York resident in Georgia, including stolen firearms and a handgun equipped with a machinegun conversion device. Those firearms were then transported from Georgia to a property on Western Avenue in Albany. Newsome knew the firearms were destined for New York and knew that neither he nor the person for whom the guns were destined were licensed importers, manufacturers, dealers, or collectors of firearms. On May 23, 2023, law enforcement searched the Western Avenue property and found 34 firearms, including the firearms that Newsome had transferred.

United States District Judge Anne M. Nardacci also imposed a 3-year term of supervised release following Newsome's imprisonment.

The following defendants have also been charged in connection with this investigation:

- Anthony Luizzi pled guilty to drug and gun crimes in connection with his trafficking of large amounts of fentanyl, cocaine and methamphetamine, and his possession of more than 30 firearms, including drugs and guns found at the Western Avenue property. [Luizzi was sentenced to 210 months in prison and a \\$10,000 fine on October 1, 2024.](#)

- [Brandon Bartley was sentenced on September 24, 2024, to 180 months in prison and to pay a \\$5,000 fine](#), for drug and gun crimes related to his possession of drugs and guns at the Western Avenue property.
- Jabree Jones was charged with a violation of the terms of his federal supervised release on May 23, 2023, based on violations of federal gun and drug trafficking laws, and has been detained pending the resolution of the supervised release violation petition. A final revocation hearing is currently scheduled for January 29, 2025. The violations against Jones are merely accusations. He is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

Another suspect in the investigation, Anthony Zaremski, was fatally shot during the execution of a federal search warrant on May 23, 2023, at Zaremski's apartment in Clifton Park, New York, after Zaremski opened fire and wounded two officers.

The DEA and the ATF are investigating the case, with assistance from the Saratoga County Sheriff's Office, the United States Postal Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Inspector General (USDOL-OIG), the Rotterdam Police Department, and the Henry County Police Department in Georgia. Assistant U.S. Attorney Alexander Wentworth-Ping is prosecuting the case.

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