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## WAUSAU MAN SENTENCED TO 8 YEARS ON METHAMPHETAMINE CHARGE

MADISON, WIS. – Scott C. Blader, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Jake K. Jones, 28, Wausau, Wisconsin, pleaded guilty and was sentenced yesterday by U.S. District Judge William M. Conley to eight years in federal prison for possessing methamphetamine with intent to distribute.

On November 18, 2018, law enforcement officers stopped Jones' vehicle for a traffic violation in Mosinee, Wisconsin. After providing a false name, Jones fled in his vehicle, reaching speeds of more than 100 miles per hour. Jones crashed his vehicle, then fled on foot. Eventually, Jones was arrested in possession of approximately 420 grams of pure methamphetamine.

The investigation subsequently revealed that Jones originally tried to purchase three pounds of methamphetamine but was only able to obtain one pound, which he intended to distribute in the Wausau area.

This is Jones' fourth felony drug trafficking offense and Judge Conley remarked that Jones had a troubling history of adjustment under community supervision.

The charge against Jones was the result of an investigation conducted by the Central Wisconsin Narcotics Task Force, which includes the Marathon & Lincoln County Sheriffs' Offices, Everest Metro and Wausau Police Departments, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Drug Enforcement Administration, and Wisconsin Department of Justice Division of Criminal Investigation. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Diane Schlipper.

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