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## MADISON FELON SENTENCED TO 51 MONTHS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR POSSESSING AND DISCHARGING A FIREARM

MADISON, WIS. – Scott C. Blader, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Michael Hallmon, 34, of Madison, Wisconsin, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge James D. Peterson to 51 months in federal prison for possessing a firearm as a convicted felon. Hallmon pleaded guilty to the charge on March 8, 2019.

On September 6, 2018, Hallmon shot someone in broad daylight, in a crowded parking lot of an apartment complex in Madison. Hallmon and the victim had a dispute over a moped, which led to the shooting. Hallmon discharged three rounds towards the victim, who was hit in the leg with one round.

Hallmon is also charged in Dane County Circuit Court with attempted first degree intentional homicide, and that charge is pending. If convicted, that sentencing judge will decide whether Hallmon's federal sentence will be served concurrently or consecutively to the state sentence. With respect to this state charge, Hallmon is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN), the U.S. Justice Department's program to reduce violent crime. The PSN approach emphasizes coordination between state and federal prosecutors and all levels of law enforcement to address gun crime, especially felons illegally possessing firearms and ammunition and violent and drug crimes that involve the use of firearms.

The charge against Hallmon was the result of an investigation conducted by the Madison Police Department and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. This prosecution was handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

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