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St. Thomas Man Sentenced To 12 Months And A Day In Prison For Possession Of Firearm With An Obliterated Serial Number

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ST. CROIX -- Jashawn Bailey, 30, of St. Thomas, was sentenced today to 12 months and a day in prison for possession of a firearm with an obliterated serial number, Acting United States Attorney Joycelyn Hewlett announced. District Court Judge Curtis V. Gomez also sentenced Bailey to serve three years of supervised release, pay a \$100 special assessment, and perform 350 hours of community service.

On April 3, 2017, Bailey pleaded guilty to possession of a firearm with an obliterated serial number. According to the plea agreement, on December 14, 2016, Virgin Islands

Police Department (VIPD) officers, while processing a crime scene, discovered a .45 Taurus firearm with an obliterated serial number wrapped in a T-shirt and hat. The investigation revealed that those items belonged to Bailey. Further, the firearm was deemed to be operable and had traveled in interstate commerce. Bailey does not possess a license for the firearm in the Virgin Islands.

The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the VIPD. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Sigrid M. Tejo-Sprotte.

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