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St. Thomas Man Arrested For Possession Of Marijuana And Possession Of Unlicensed Firearm

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ST. THOMAS -- Le'Quan Registe, 24, of St. Thomas was arrested on an indictment charging him with possession with the intent to distribute marijuana and possession of a firearm during a drug trafficking offense, United States Attorney Gretchen C.F. Shappert announced today. Registe made his initial appearance before Superior Court Judge Denise Francois today and was detained pending further proceedings.

According to the indictment, on May 18, 2018, Registe was found in possession of marijuana for distribution and he was also in possession of an unlicensed firearm.

If convicted of possession with the intent to distribute marijuana, Registe faces a statutory term of imprisonment up to five years and a \$250,000 fine. If convicted on the possession of a firearm during a drug trafficking offense, Registe faces a consecutive seven-year term of imprisonment.

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) investigated this case and it is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Sigrid M. Tejo-Sprotte.

United States Attorney Shappert reminds the public that an indictment is merely a formal charging document and is not evidence of guilt. Every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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