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THOMAS SENTENCED TO 35 YEARS

Livingston- Robert Thomas, age 31, of Walker, LA, pleaded guilty to two counts of attempted second degree murder, aggravated battery, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, illegal use/control/possession of a firearm while in possession of controlled dangerous substances/cocaine, and possession with intent to distribute schedule II controlled dangerous substances/cocaine.

On March 10, 2015, a search warrant was conducted by a Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office Special Response Team, (S.R.T) and Narcotics Division at an address on Sycamore Street in Walker, LA. Upon arrival to Thomas's residence detectives observed a male sitting in the threshold of the front door with it propped open.

When the male recognized it was law enforcement at the door, he stood up and ran inside of the residence. S.R.T. Members proceeded to enter the residence through the front door yelling "Sheriff's Office Search Warrant". Within seconds, a single gunshot was heard and it was determined that Thomas fired a single shot from a handgun that struck an S.R.T. member in his protective vest. The residence was then declared a crime scene and all Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office essential personnel were notified.

While waiting on other LPSO detectives to arrive and process the scene, S.R.T. members began getting out all seven juveniles that were inside the residence during the time Thomas fired at the S.R.T. members. Four of the juveniles inside of the residence were under the age of 10 years old. They were able to locate some type of guardian for each of the juveniles.

During the search of the residence, all items seized were photographed and logged. One bag of marijuana, one glass marijuana smoking pipe, one full box of 12 gauge, two ¾ inch shot gun shells, two rounds of Hornady .357 mag rounds, one speed loader with six Hornady .35 rounds, one .40 S&W round were found, and an illegal sized sawed off shot gun. When searching Thomas's bedroom in the residence, in plain view Thomas's Louisiana Identification Card, two clear cellophane bags that contained cocaine, a partially smoked marijuana cigar, digital scale, and several other items. The various forms of cocaine were packaged in a manner consistent with distribution of cocaine

Robert Thomas was scheduled for trial this week when he entered his no contest plea. Thomas is sentenced 35 years with the department of corrections, said Perrilloux

Assistant District Attorney Greg Murphy represented the state; Judge Jeffery Johnson handed down the sentence.

MOORE CONVICTION

Amite- Jarvis Moore of Hammond, LA, pleaded no contest to two counts of armed robbery with a firearm, two counts of attempted second degree murder, possession of a stolen firearm, three counts of aggravated assault with a firearm.

According to reports, on October 4, 2013, the Tangipahoa Sheriff's Office requested Louisiana State Police, Criminal Investigative Division, Region -1, and Hammond Detectives to investigate a departmental shooting that occurred in Hammond, LA.

Details of that event are that the Tri-Parish Narcotics Task Force including members of Hammond Police Department Narcotics Unit was conducting an undercover narcotics purchase operation in the Tangi Trailer Park on Happy Woods Road.

Upon doing so, contact was made with Jarvis Moore. During this operation Moore used a stolen semi-automatic pistol to rob the undercover police officer and confidential informant inside of a vehicle. This action led to a struggle for control of the gun, which resulted in Moore discharging his weapon which resulted in injuries.

While the scene was being processed assisting troopers made contact with persons involved in the shooting, who had been transported from the scene.

During the investigation, it was advised the entire attempted narcotics purchase and shooting incident was captured on a small hidden camera identified as a key fob. The device was disguised to look like an automobile keyless entry device attached to a prop keychain.

The video showed Moore enter the rear passenger door of the narcotics operation vehicle. There he manually charged the semi-automatic pistol he was brandishing by pulling the slide to the rear and chambering a live round.

Moore leaned inside the vehicle, pointed the weapon at the occupants and demanded their money and wallets. The TPSO officer complied by handing over the cash money he was holding. After a few moments the TPSO officer attempted to secure Moore's weapon which was in close proximity, by physically grabbing it with both hands. At this time a struggle took place and the recording device fell from its location on the dashboard during the struggle. Audio was still captured of the sounds of the struggle and gunshots.

Assistant District Attorney Britain Sledge represented the state; Judge Douglas Hughes handed down the sentence. Jarvis Moore was sentenced to 35 years with the department of corrections, said Perrilloux.