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Matthews Pleads to Armed Robbery

Amite- On May 14, 2014, 21-year-old Letroy Matthews pleaded no contest to simple burglary and armed robbery. He was sentenced to serve 10 years with the department of corrections for each offense, to be served concurrently.

Assistant District Attorney Britain Sledge represented the State. Judge Doug Hughes handed down the sentence.

On November 22, 2012, Matthews was seen running out of a home on Avenue C in Kentwood, LA. The homeowner stated that he was coming back from a trip when he spotted the defendant leaving his residence. Matthews escaped by jumping over the fence separating the complainant's property from his neighbors. When officers from the Kentwood Police Department arrived, the complainant stated that three guns and some half dollar coins had been taken from his home. Matthews, of Rosa James Road, Kentwood, LA, was subsequently arrested and charged with simple burglary.

On August 4, 2013, Matthews was again arrested by officers from the Kentwood Police Department. The victim reported that he was held at gunpoint by the defendant as accomplices robbed his home. That same evening, the defendant and three accomplices were located and arrested.

The sentence is to be served without the benefit of parole, probation or suspension of sentence.

Drug Conviction Nets 10 Year Sentence

Amite- John E. Morris, of Mixon Road, Amite, LA, was sentenced to serve 10 years with the department of corrections after pleading no contest to production and manufacture of schedule II controlled dangerous substances on May 27, 2014.

A search of the defendant's home on April 24, 2012, produced four one-pot reaction vessels, processed methamphetamine, drug paraphernalia, and additional materials used in the manufacture of methamphetamine.

40-year-old Morris was subsequently arrested by officers from the Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office and booked into the Tangipahoa Parish Jail.

Assistant District Attorney Le'Anne Malnar prosecuted the case, and Judge Doug Hughes handed down the sentence.

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