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CEDARVILLE MAN SENTENCED TO 62 MONTHS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR ROBBERY OF BANK ONE IN ROCKFORD

ROCKFORD – PATRICK J. FITZGERALD, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois; ROBERT D. GRANT, Special Agent-In-Charge of the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and STEVEN PUGH, Chief of the Rockford Police Department, today made the following announcement:

United States District Court Judge Philip G. Reinhard today sentenced **HEATH A. ROBBINS**, 26 (DOB: 8/03/78), of Cedarville, Illinois, to 62 months in federal prison without parole for the robbery of Bank One, 4425 Harrison Avenue, Rockford, Illinois, on October 25, 2004. The court also ordered Robbins to pay \$4,602 in restitution, a \$100 special assessment, and ordered that Robbins be placed on supervised release for three years following his release from prison.

Robbins pleaded guilty to the bank robbery charges on January 11, 2005. At that time Robbins admitted that on the morning of October 25, 2004, he walked into Bank One, 4425 Harrison Avenue, in Rockford. According to the plea agreement, Robbins handed a bank teller a handwritten note stating it was a robbery and that he had a gun. The teller gave Robbins cash from her teller drawer, and Robbins fled.

Robbins was arrested by Special Agents with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Marion, Iowa, on October 27, 2004. He has been held in custody since his arrest.

The case was investigated by Rockford Office of the FBI and the Rockford Police Department, with assistance from the Omaha Office of the FBI. The case was prosecuted in federal court by Assistant United States Attorney Joseph C. Pedersen.

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