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ROCKFORD MAN SENTENCED TO 13 YEARS AND 7 MONTHS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR ROBBING THE ASSOCIATED BANK

ROCKFORD – PATRICK J. FITZGERALD, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, together with ROBERT D. GRANT, Special Agent-in-Charge of the Chicago Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, PHILIP NICOLOSI, Winnebago County State's Attorney, and CHET EPPERSON, Chief of the Rockford Police Department, made the following announcement:

Today, United States District Judge Frederick J. Kapala sentenced **CHRISTOPHER G. GLOVER**, 31, of Rockford, Illinois, to 13 years and 7 months in federal prison without parole for robbing the Associated Bank located at 3333 North Rockton Avenue, in Rockford, on April 13, 2007. After being released from prison, Glover will be on supervised release for 3 years. Glover was also ordered to pay \$9,124 in restitution to the Associated Bank and to pay a \$100 special assessment.

Glover had been arrested for the bank robbery on April 16, 2007, and had pleaded guilty to the robbery on July 19, 2007. In pleading guilty, Glover had admitted that on the morning of April 13, 2007, he went inside the Associated Bank branch on North Rockton Avenue and handed a teller a note stating that Glover had a gun. Glover then gave the teller a pillow case and instructed her to put the bank's money in it. The teller complied and gave him \$10,381 from her teller drawers. Some of those funds were later recovered by the Police and Federal Bureau of Investigation. At sentencing today, Glover admitted that he had a gun during the robbery. Because of Glover's prior criminal convictions, he was found by Judge Kapala to be a "Career Offender" under the Sentencing Guidelines. The Sentencing Guidelines provide for a longer prison sentence for individuals who have two or more prior drug or violent felony convictions and are found to be Career Offenders.

This case was jointly investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Rockford Police Department. Glover was initially charged in state court on April 16, 2007, with the robbery. That charge was dismissed on April 18, 2007, when a federal criminal complaint was filed. The case was prosecuted in the United States District Court in Rockford by Assistant United States Attorney JOHN G. McKENZIE.