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Two Mississippi Street Gang Members Sentenced on Gun Charges

Gulfport, Miss - Adam Shane Mitchell and Joshua Kane McCraney, both documented members of the Simon City Royals street gang, were sentenced in separate cases in United States District Court today, U.S. Attorney John Dowdy announced.

Mitchell, age 27, of Ocean Springs, pled guilty to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon on June 6, 2011. He was sentenced today to serve 27 months in prison followed by 3 years of supervised release, and ordered to pay a \$3000 fine. Mitchell has a prior state conviction for burglary. He has been in federal custody since his arrest on April 20, 2011.

McCraney, age 34, of Poplarville, MS, pled guilty to possession of an unregistered firearm on June 6, 2011. He was sentenced to 27 months in prison followed by 3 years of supervised release, and ordered to pay a \$3000 fine. McCraney has a prior state conviction for possession of more than one kilogram of marijuana. He has been in federal custody since his arrest on May 6, 2011.

The cases were investigated by the Biloxi Police Department, the Pearl River County Sheriff's Department and the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. They were prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Annette Williams.

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