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## SCRANTON MAN HEADED TO FEDERAL PRISON

Columbia, South Carolina ---- United States Attorney W. Walter Wilkins stated that King Solomon McCrea, Jr., age 29, of Scranton, South Carolina, was sentenced to 27 months imprisonment by United States District Judge R. Bryan Harwell for being a felon in possession of a firearm.

On April 11, 2007, authorities attempted to stop McCrea's car after he was spotted not wearing his seatbelt. McCrea refused to stop, running several stop signs and eventually crashing into a Lake City police car. Officers located a loaded .380 caliber pistol under the driver's seat of the car.

McCrea, who had previously been convicted of burglary and failure to stop for a blue light, is prohibited by federal law from possession of firearms.

The case was investigated by the Scranton Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. Assistant United States Attorney Rose Mary Parham of the Florence office prosecuted the case as part of Project CeaseFire, an initiative of the United States Attorneys Office that seeks to aggressively prosecute gun-related crimes.

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