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**LOCAL RAP ARTIST SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS
IN PRISON FOR DRUG TRAFFICKING CRIMES**

Anchorage, Alaska – United States Attorney Nelson P. Cohen announced today, April 14, 2008, that Sean Sullivan, age 33, a resident of Anchorage, Alaska, was sentenced to ten years in federal court on his convictions for two counts of distribution of crack cocaine and one count of attempted distribution of crack cocaine before Chief U.S. District Court Judge John W. Sedwick.

According to information presented in court by Assistant United States Attorney Frank Russo, Sullivan sold crack cocaine to a government informant on two occasions, and attempted to sell 2 ½ ounces of crack cocaine on another occasion. Sullivan was also arrested in 2004, when he threw two ounces of crack cocaine out of a car after being chased by the Anchorage Police Department. Judge Sedwick considered all four incidents when imposing the ten year sentence. In addition, Judge Sedwick credited testimony that Sullivan had been dealing crack cocaine on a consistent basis since 2003, and that Sullivan possessed a .223 Bushmaster semi-automatic assault type rifle when he was arrested in November 2007. After imposing sentence, Sullivan caused an outburst in the courtroom and needed to be subdued by two Deputy United States Marshals.

Sullivan, also known by his recording name “Joker the Bailbondsman”, has recorded rap songs and videos entitled “Money in a Ziplock Bag”, “Sex Money Murder Drugs”, and “Sub-Machine Guns”, among other songs.

Mr. Cohen commended the FBI Safe Streets Task Force and the Anchorage Police Department for the investigation that led to the successful prosecution of Sullivan.

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