## **MEMORANDUM**

## **COLLIER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

## CAREER CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS SECTION

TO: Public Affairs Bureau

FROM: Det. Meade Holland, ID 0111

**DATE:** October 27, 2011

RE: Media Information; Sentencing of Career Criminal Jarrett

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## SECOND DEFENDANT IN THE ATTEMPTED ROBBERY OF AN UNDERCOVER DEPUTY SENTENCED TO 30 YEARS

Jarrett Javon Irons, 22 Black Male, DOB/03-20-1989 2106 NW 7<sup>th</sup> Terrace, Cape Coral, Lee Co., Fl.

On Thursday, October 27, 2011, at 0900 hrs, Jarrett Javon Irons, 22, of 2106 NW 7<sup>th</sup> Terr., Cape Coral, appeared for sentencing at the Collier County Courthouse, Naples. On August 31, a Collier County Jury found Irons Guilty of Attempted Robbery with a Firearm, after a two day trial. Acting Circuit Court Judge Rob Crown, who presided over the trial, continued sentencing until today. At today's hearing Judge Crown adjudicated Irons Guilty as charged and sentenced him, as a Habitual Felony Offender, to 30 years in state prison. This is the maximum sentence Irons could receive under the career criminal statutes and is twice the statutory maximum for a second degree felony.

Assistant State Attorneys Mara W. Marzano and Lisa C. Mead, of the Naples State Attorney's Office, successfully prosecuted this case

On July 24, 2009, an undercover detective from the Collier County Sheriff's Office Vice and Narcotics Bureau purchased 59 grams of crack cocaine from a Patrick Warren Taylor, 35, of Ft. Myers. This narcotics transaction occurred in a parking lot in the 2000 block of Tarpon Bay Blvd. Golden Gate. On July 30, this detective went to the same parking lot to purchase more cocaine from Taylor. This time Taylor was accompanied by his cousin, Jarrett Irons. Both Taylor and Irons got into the detective's vehicle. Taylor, who was in the front passenger's seat, suddenly pulled out a .32 caliber handgun and held it to the detective's head. Irons, from the rear seat, grabbed the detective from behind. Both men demanded the detective's money. A struggle ensued and the detective was able to get the gun away from Taylor. Deputies from the CCSO Special Response Team were in the immediate area acting as back up. They rushed the undercover vehicle and took Irons and Taylor into custody. Both men were transported to the Naples Jail Center for booking. A detective from the CCSO General Crimes Bureau took over the robbery investigation. Irons has remained in custody on a \$100,000 bond since the date of his arrest.

Irons' cousin, Patrick Taylor, entered into a plea agreement with the State. On June 13, 2011, he received four 30-year concurrent sentences for the crimes of Attempted Robbery with a Firearm, Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon, Trafficking in Cocaine and Dwelling Burglary. He could have received consecutive sentences if convicted at trial.

Jarrett Irons is a documented Career Criminal with the CCSO. He is a native of Ft. Myers and all of his prior felony convictions are from Lee County. They include; 2008, Aggravated Fleeing or Attempting to Elude a LEO, a charge of Armed Robbery with a Firearm was Nolle Prossed by the State at time of plea; 2008, Structure Burglary, and Grand Theft; 2008, Possession of Cocaine; and 2008, Structure Burglary; 2009, 2 counts of Possession of a Controlled Substance without a prescription; and 2009, Felony DWLSR (3<sup>rd</sup> or subsequent offense) and Possession of Cocaine. Irons was on supervised State Probation for drug possession when he and Taylor committed the attempted armed robbery for which he was sentenced today.

CCSO case 09-20665, SAO case 09-CF-001904-A