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DEMARCUS O. JONES, CARBONDALE, SENTENCED TO DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR UNLAWFUL USE OF WEAPONS BY A FELON

Michael C. Carr, Jackson County State's Attorney, announced today, Demarcus O. Jones, age 24, of Carbondale, Illinois, was sentenced to the Illinois Department of Corrections for the offense of Unlawful Use of Weapons by a Felon.

On August 25, 2018, at approximately 3:30 a.m., Carbondale police officers stopped a vehicle in which Jones was a passenger on the 700 block of South Lewis Lane, Carbondale, Illinois. A K9 unit alerted to the presence of narcotics. A female driver and four other male occupants were detained pending investigation. A search of the vehicle revealed three (3) loaded handguns and narcotics. A loaded .38 semi-automatic handgun was located under the front passenger seat where Jones had been sitting. A search of Jones revealed an additional fully loaded extended .38 magazine, consistent with the handgun. Jones has a previous felony conviction for burglary.

On November 26, 2018, Carter pled guilty to the charge of Unlawful Possession of a Weapon by a Felon, a Class 3 Felony, and was sentenced to thirty (30) months in the Illinois Department of Corrections, followed by a one (1) year period of mandatory supervised release.

The investigation was conducted by the Carbondale Police Department. Assistant State's Attorney Andrew W. Suthard was responsible for the prosecution of this case.