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### **JAMEEL H. CLAY, CARBONDALE, SENTENCED TO DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DELIVER A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE AND UNLAWFUL USE OF WEAPONS BY A FELON**

Michael C. Carr, Jackson County State's Attorney, announced today, Jameel H. Clay, age 46, of Carbondale, Illinois, was sentenced to the Illinois Department of Corrections for the offenses of Possession with Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance and Unlawful Use of Weapons by a Felon.

On April 17, 2019, after conducting a series of three heroin buys while working with a confidential source, detectives with the Carbondale Police Department executed a search warrant at Jameel Clay's residence on New Era Road in Carbondale. Detectives recovered 20 grams of crack cocaine, 10 grams of heroin, a loaded 9mm pistol, and other items of drug packaging and drug dealing. The defendant is a felon and is prohibited from possessing firearms.

On September 10, 2019, Clay pled guilty to one count of Possession with Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance, a Class X Felony, and Unlawful Use of Weapons by a Felon, a Class 3 Felony carrying a mandatory sentencing range of two (2) to ten (10) years. Clay was sentenced to seven years (7) years in the Illinois Department of Corrections, followed by a three (3) year period of mandatory supervised release. Clay also currently has a weapons charge pending in Cook County.

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