

Brockton man gets “time-served” for being a felon in possession of firearm a second time

A Brockton man was sentenced Thursday for being a felon in possession of a firearm.

Clive McFarlane, 36, was sentenced by U.S. District Court Judge Allison D. Burroughs during a videoconference to time served (approximately six months in prison) and two years of supervised release. McFarlane pleaded guilty to one count of being a felon in possession of a firearm on April 14, 2020.

On Aug. 27, 2019, McFarlane was found in possession of a Rohm Gesellschaft .25 caliber revolver, one round of Remington .25 caliber ammunition and seven rounds of Cascade Cartridges .25 caliber ammunition. McFarlane had previously been convicted of being a felon in possession of a firearm and other crimes punishable by more than a year in jail and therefore was prohibited from possessing firearms.

United States Attorney Andrew E. Lelling; Kelly Brady, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives, Boston Field Division; Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz; and Brockton Police Chief Emanuel Gomes made the announcement today. Assistant U.S. Attorney Mackenzie A. Queenin of Lelling’s Criminal Division prosecuted the case.

This case is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN), the centerpiece of the Department of Justice’s violent crime reduction efforts. PSN is an evidence-based program proven to be effective at reducing violent crime. Through PSN, a broad spectrum of stakeholders work together to identify the most

pressing violent crime problems in the community and develop comprehensive solutions to address them. As part of this strategy, PSN focuses enforcement efforts on the most violent offenders and partners with locally based prevention and reentry programs for lasting reductions in crime.