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Portland firefighter convicted of drug and weapon charges

Today, Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge Leslie M. Roberts convicted 44-year-old David Lloyd, a Portland firefighter, of being in possession of drugs and a firearm.

Lloyd was convicted of one count of unlawful possession of a prohibited firearm, one count of unlawful possession of methamphetamine and one count of unlawful possession of heroin.

Judge Roberts sentenced Lloyd to 36 months of probation. As part of his probation, Lloyd must obey all laws and will be required to undergo a substance abuse evaluation and participate in any treatment that is ordered. He will not be allowed to be in possession of any weapons while on probation. The weapons seized in this case will be destroyed, pursuant to the court's order.

During the half-day trial, which started May 13, 2019, Multnomah County Deputy District Attorney Kelly Burris presented evidence to show that an officer with the Portland Police Bureau was patrolling a "high vice area" that is "rife" with criminal activity. The officer saw several people in a parking lot known to be associated with criminal activity. The officer observed behavior indicative of a drug sale.

Law enforcement conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of Southeast 81st Avenue and Southeast Stark Street. Lloyd was identified as the driver. The arresting officer was "nearly overwhelmed by the odor that he recognized to be heroin emanating from" the vehicle that he had stopped, according to court documents.

Law enforcement searched the vehicle and located a black semi-automatic pistol in a bag on the passenger floor board of the vehicle that Lloyd was driving. A K-9 unit with the Portland Police Bureau responded and assisted officers with locating suspected methamphetamine and heroin, according to court documents.

A small sawed-off .22 caliber rifle was located in the vehicle's trunk during the traffic stop. The barrel of the rifle "was extremely short and only extended approximately two inches past the stock and it had a pistol grip," according to DDA Burris.

Two photographs of the weapons seized during this investigation, which were entered into evidence during trial, are being included with this press release.

The Multnomah County District Attorney's Office recognizes the Portland Police Bureau's East Precinct and the PPB Drugs and Vice Division for their dedicated efforts on this case.

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