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Joshua Michael Lund receives prison, probation sentence for cutting a man in downtown Portland with a knife

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced that 39-year-old Joshua Michael Lund received a sentence that included prison time and formal probation after he used a knife during a fight and ended up cutting a man in his chest.

The court sentenced Lund to 36 months in prison followed by 24 months of post-prison supervision. Lund will also be on 60 months of formal probation.

This investigation started on September 8, 2019 at approximately 2:30 a.m. when an officer with the Portland Police Bureau came upon an in-progress fight near the area of Northwest 3rd Avenue and Northwest Davis Street.

During the investigation, law enforcement learned Lund and three of his friends got into an argument with another group of people. The argument turned physical. Once police separated everyone they contacted the victim who reported that he had only been punched in the face.

One of the officers then noticed that the victim had blood on his shirt. Officers checked the victim's chest and noticed that he had a small wound, approximately one inch in length. He did require two stitches to treat the injury.

"This is a very appropriate resolution when you look at this case in its entirety," said Multnomah County Deputy District Attorney Kevin Demer, who prosecuted this case. "Here, Mr. Lund immediately took responsibility for his actions by choosing to quickly resolve the case, and he was remorseful for the injury he caused. We ultimately determined Mr. Lund was trying to punch the victim in the face, which he did, but during that punch he was holding a knife, which subsequently cut the victim in the chest."

Officers on scene searched the area and recovered a black folding knife with a silver blade in the 200 block of Northwest 3rd Avenue, which is only feet from where the fight occurred.

On December 13, 2019, Lund appeared in Multnomah County Circuit Court and changed his plea. Upon doing so, the court convicted him of one count of attempted assault in the second degree and one count of being a felon in possession of a firearm.

While investigating the altercation in downtown, law enforcement executed a court-authorized warrant at Lund's residence and recovered a .40 caliber handgun and ammunition. Under Oregon law, Lund was not allowed to be in possession of any firearms because of a prior felony conviction.

This case was litigated by the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office Neighborhood and Strategic Prosecution Unit, which reviews cases that stem from neighborhood-specific concerns. The unit is primarily responsible for interfacing with the community over specific issues, and handles all types of cases across the criminal justice spectrum to include misdemeanors and homicides.

The Multnomah County District Attorney's Office recognizes Portland Police Bureau's Entertainment Detail, the PPB Central Precinct Neighborhood Response Team and the officers assigned to PPB Central Precinct patrol who responded and investigated this case.

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