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PRESS RELEASE

SENTENCED: BRETT M. JOHNSON

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Prior Address:
637 South Main Street
Phillipsburg, New Jersey 08865
DOB: 10-25-1990

The above named defendant was sentenced today by Warren County Judge John H. Pursel, J.S.C., for his conviction following a guilty plea on April 24, 2008, to one count of Robbery, Second Degree. The plea agreement called for the defendant to be sentenced as a Third Degree Offender with a maximum of four years in New Jersey State Prison. The State filed a Motion seeking the imposition of the No Early Release Act to which the defendant consented. The defendant, who was a juvenile at the time of the offense, was waived up from Family Court to Criminal Court.

On August 13, 2007, the defendant was involved in a robbery during which a 75 year old man was stabbed with a knife.

Judge John H. Pursel sentenced the defendant to four years in New Jersey State Prison and granted the State's application for the imposition of the No Early Release Act. The defendant will have to serve 85% of the four years prior to being eligible for release.

The guilty plea was presided over by John H. Pursel, J.S.C.. Assistant Prosecutor Kelly Anne Shelton handled the case on behalf of the State in Criminal Court. Assistant Prosecutor Craig L. Barto and Assistant Prosecutor Dit Mosco handled the matter in Family Court. The defendant was represented by Jack Cornish, Esquire.

The investigation of this matter was conducted by the Phillipsburg Police Department and the Warren County Prosecutor's Office. Detective Michael Swick of the Phillipsburg Police Department was the lead investigator on the case.



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