

The J Group's EDLA SENTENCING NEWSLETTER



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Bank Robbery and more...

.... see what happened this past week in the Eastern District of Louisiana

CASE SPOTLIGHT

United States v. Williams (EDLA 25-cr-236)

What's the Basis?: According to the factual basis, **Williams** entered a **Capital One** wearing a black hoodie, striped pants, and sunglasses. After waiting in the customer, she **approached a teller and handed over a handwritten note stating:**

"Please hand me the money in your drawer quietly."

The teller became frightened and surrendered approximately \$717 in cash. After receiving the money, the **Williams** quickly exited the bank while the teller activated the bank's distress alarm. **Investigators traced Williams to a residence where she was located and arrested. Officers recovered clothing worn during the robbery, along with \$497 in cash. Following her arrest, the defendant reportedly expressed remorse and voluntarily surrendered the recovered cash to U.S. Marshals.**

What's the Violation?: **Williams** pleaded guilty to **Bank Robbery** in violation of **18 U.S.C. § 2113(a)**.

What's the Sentence?: Judge Wendy B. Vitter sentenced **Williams** to **30 months of imprisonment, 3 years of supervised release**, and ordered Hymel to pay **\$717.00 in restitution**.

This Week's Other Matters

U.S. V. ROTOLO, 25-CR-118

Charge: Enticement of a Minor to Engage in Sexual Activity
(18 U.S.C. § 2422(b))

Sentence: **124 months of imprisonment; 10 years of supervised release.**

Judge: Honorable Eldon E. Fallon

U.S. V. BANKS, 25-CR-038

Charge: Possession with Intent to Distribute Cocaine Base; Felon in Possession of Firearms; Possession of a Firearm in Furtherance of a Drug Trafficking Crime
(18 U.S.C. §§ 922(g)(1), 924(a)(8); 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(A))

Sentence: **181 months of imprisonment; 5 years of supervised release.**

Judge: Honorable Jane Triche Milazzo

U.S. V. JONES, 25-CR-164

Charge: Conspiracy to Distribute and Posses with the Intent to Distribute Cocaine and Fentanyl; Felon in Possession of a Firearm * (18 U.S.C. § 922(g); 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(B), (b)(1)(C), and 846)

Sentence: **200 months of imprisonment and 8 years of supervised release.**

Judge: Honorable Susie Morgan

WHAT'S THAT STATUTE?

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DETAILS ON THE VIOLATIONS INCLUDED IN
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- [18 U.S.C. § 922](#)
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