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KC MAN SENTENCED FOR DISTRIBUTING CRACK COCAINE FOLLOWING FEDERAL JURY CONVICTION

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City man was sentenced in federal court today for distributing crack cocaine.

David L. Willoughby, 32, of Kansas City, Mo., was sentenced by U.S. District Chief Judge Dean Whipple to seven years and eight months in federal prison without parole for distributing crack cocaine in Kansas City.

On June 24, 2003, a federal jury found **Willoughby** guilty of distributing crack cocaine. Graves explained that **Willoughby** sold 27 grams of crack cocaine to a confidential informant on June 25, 2002. Law enforcement officers monitored the drug transaction. The crack cocaine was sold for \$750. After the transaction was complete, law enforcement officers arrested **Willoughby** and executed a search warrant on his residence, located at 11407 Crystal.

Willoughby was originally charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Oct. 15, 2002.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Candace R. Cole and Assistant U.S. Attorney Charles E. Ambrose. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

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