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Cedar Rapids, Iowa

**Felon Who Possessed Gun Sentenced to Federal Prison**

A man who illegally possessed a gun was sentenced on May 7, 2026, to more than two years in federal prison.

Christopher Dante Roby, age 34, from Waterloo, Iowa, received the prison term after a December 8, 2025, guilty plea to being a felon in possession of a firearm.

At the guilty plea, Roby admitted that in December 2024, he illegally possessed a Taurus 9mm pistol. Roby had previously been convicted of multiple felony offenses, including first degree burglary, domestic abuse assault strangulation with injury, felon in possession of a firearm, and intimidation with a weapon.

Roby was sentenced in Cedar Rapids by United States District Court Chief Judge C.J. Williams. Roby was sentenced to 30 months' imprisonment. He must also serve a three-year term of supervised release after the prison term. There is no parole in the federal system.

This case is part of Operation Take Back America a nationwide initiative that marshals the full resources of the Department of Justice to repel the invasion of illegal immigration, achieve the total elimination of cartels and transnational criminal organizations (TCOs), and protect our communities from the perpetrators of violent crime.

Roby is being held in the United States Marshal's custody until he can be transported to a federal prison. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Lisa C. Williams and investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives and the Waterloo Police Department.

Court file information at <https://ecf.iand.uscourts.gov/cgi-bin/login.pl>. The case file number is 25-CR-2043.

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