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**JAIL ESCAPEE CASEY M. MOORE GETS MAXIMUM SENTENCE FOR  
ESCAPE**

FORSYTH, MO - Taney County Prosecuting Attorney, Jeffrey M. Merrell announced today that jail escapee CASEY M. MOORE plead guilty and was sentenced on all pending charges yesterday by Taney County Circuit Judge Mark Orr. CASEY M. MOORE received a twelve year (12) sentence as a prior and persistent felony offender for his 2006 involvement in a large scale burglary ring, a seven year (7) sentence as a prior and persistent felony offender for his escape from the Taney County Jail on March 19, 2007, and a four (4) year sentence for his possession of burglar's tools in 2006. All sentences will run concurrent with each other and probation was denied.

A co-defendant in the burglary case, RICHARD L'HOMMEDIEU also plead guilty yesterday for his involvement in the same burglary ring. His plea agreement calls for a seven (7) year suspended sentence with one hundred and twenty (120) days in jail, as well as other special conditions including full restitution to all the victims of this burglary ring. Formal sentencing in RICHARD L'HOMMEDIEU's case is set for May 3, 2007 at 10:30am. BRANDY HARRISON, a third co-defendant still faces felony burglary charges.

Taney County Prosecuting Attorney, Jeffrey M. Merrell was satisfied with the result stating, "we were able to lock up the ring leader of this large scale theft ring for a very long time, while also giving the victims the ability to receive restitution for their loss."

Please be advised that the charges filed against the defendants are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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