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(KY Online Offender Lookup)  
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## “Leading the Fight on Public Safety”

Hello Everyone! Welcome to the 16<sup>th</sup> Edition of our newsletter.

Our goal is to provide information about the judicial system and to update you on the criminal cases here in Christian County. We would like to get this information out quicker and more frequently, but we are working with limited resources. If there is a particular topic you are interested in learning more about, please let us know. And, as always, if you have any questions, please contact any member of our staff shown to the left.

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## SPOTLIGHT:

### **New Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Duncan Cavanah**



Duncan Cavanah, a Hopkinsville native, has been a part-time Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney since July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009. Duncan graduated

(Kentucky Revised Statutes)

<http://apps.kycourts.net/courtrecords/>  
(Court Case Information)

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<http://www.dea.gov/seizures/kentucky.html>  
(Locations of Meth Labs)

<http://www.bop.gov/> (Federal Inmate  
Locater)

<http://ag.ky.gov> (KY Attorney General)

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(DEA)

[https://www.vinelink.com\\_](https://www.vinelink.com_) (KY Statewide  
Offender custody status)

from Hopkinsville High in 1995 and Transylvania University in 1999. He pursued his career by attending and graduating from UK College of Law in 2002. He is a Partner at the firm of Ison, Harton, and Cavanah.

Duncan began working as an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney on July 1, 2009, but has been working as a prosecutor since 2003 as an Assistant County Attorney. "I have enjoyed a tremendous experience prosecuting in the District Court. I believe that my experience there will serve me well as I transition into Circuit Court practice. Because I now do both, I have the unique advantage of tracking felony cases from the time they originate in District Court until the time they arrive in Circuit Court."

When not working, Duncan enjoys sports, and particularly following the University of Kentucky football team around the country. He is very involved with his church (First United Methodist.) He also enjoys spending time with his wife, Sarah, and daughter and son [Rachel, age 4, and Jack, age 6 months].

"I am very appreciative of the opportunity that Lynn has given me. I have had a tremendous amount of support from her, the other attorneys and the outstanding staff at her office. I look forward to serving with them all."

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## **GRAND JURY:**

The July-August Grand Jury effectively and proficiently returned 105 "True Bill" Indictments, 2 "No True Bills," and 3 cases were referred to District Court. As always, the Grand Jury was very dedicated, and we appreciate their service to our community. Their report is attached.

## **COURT PROCEEDINGS:**

From September 1, 2009, through October 31, 2009, our office handled 139 arraignments, 30 probation revocation hearings, and 145 sentencing.

## **JURY TRIALS:**



### ***Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Charles Berry***

On September 10, 2009, Commonwealth's Attorney Lynn Pryor tried the case of **Commonwealth v. Charles Berry**. Hon. Jack Faust represented Berry on his charges of Manufacturing Methamphetamine, Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Anhydrous Ammonia in an Unapproved Container to Manufacture Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and 4<sup>th</sup> degree Assault.

The victim of the assault was Berry's girlfriend at the time, and her visit to the hospital – which led police to investigate Charles Berry – primarily revolved around respiratory problems that she was having, rather than the black eye caused by Berry. Berry had assaulted her

when she tried to leave his garage "apartment". When she advised hospital personnel about him assaulting her, police were notified and went to talk to Berry. Berry was not located at his "apartment", but a number of items used to manufacture methamphetamine were left behind. His girlfriend testified that she knew he manufactured methamphetamine and could identify many of the items as Berry's.

The jury heard testimony from Berry's girlfriend, Detective Thomas Roberts & Director Cheyenne Albro from the Pennyriale Narcotics Task Force, as well as Captain Tim Cooksey from the Christian County Sheriff's Office. After hearing all of the evidence, the jury found Berry guilty of Manufacturing Methamphetamine, Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Anhydrous Ammonia in an Unapproved Container to Manufacture Methamphetamine, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, but not guilty of 4<sup>th</sup> degree Assault.

During the Truth in Sentencing phase, the jury heard that Berry had been previously convicted of (1) 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Wanton Endangerment, 1<sup>st</sup> degree Fleeing or Evading Police and Possession of Anhydrous Ammonia in an Unapproved Container in 2001 and (2) Trafficking in Methamphetamine, Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Giving an Officer a False Name or Address in 2008. The jury found him guilty of being a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree Persistent Felony Offender, and recommended a sentence of 45 years [20 years for Manufacturing Methamphetamine, 20 years for Possession of Anhydrous Ammonia in an Unapproved Container and 5 years for Possession of Methamphetamine]. Berry was formally sentenced by Judge Andrew Self on October 28, 2009 when the judge ruled that all of Berry's sentences from this case would run concurrently for a total of 20 years, rather than the 45 years recommended by the jury.



***Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Earl Shelton***

On October 22, 2009, Commonwealth's Attorney Lynn Pryor tried the case of **Commonwealth v. Earl Shelton**. Hon. Eric Bearden represented Shelton on his charge of Trafficking in Cocaine. Detective Tracy White with the Pennyriale Narcotics Task Force ["PNTF"] utilized a confidential informant to purchase drugs, and the informant purchased 3 rocks of crack cocaine from Earl Shelton at his home on Broad Street. Detective Ty Jackson, also with the PNTF, drove the informant to the home and picked him back up following the transaction. The informant had been searched prior to and following the transaction; he had nothing on him but \$40 when he went in the house and \$10 and 3 crack rocks when he came out. The transaction was captured on audio and video recording. After watching the video a second time, the jury found Shelton guilty of Trafficking in Cocaine and recommended a sentence of 5 years. Shelton will be formally sentenced by Judge John Atkins on December 15, 2009.



***Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Donald Rutherford***

On October 23, 2009, Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney, Whitney H. Westerfield, tried the case of **Commonwealth vs. Donald Rutherford**. Mr. Rutherford was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance within 1000 yards of a school. The controlled substance was marijuana, which was sold from Mr. Rutherford's front porch. An

undercover confidential informant working with the Hopkinsville Police Department Special Investigations Unit was fitted with a hidden audio and video recording device and was sent to Mr. Rutherford's home to make a controlled purchase of marijuana from a subject known as "Disco". Mr. Rutherford admitted at trial that he goes by that nickname, but denied any marijuana was sold to the informant. The informant's direct testimony was unavailable because he is deceased, but the police officers verified that the informant was searched before the buy took place, and that no drugs were found on him. After the buy, a second search was performed that found the marijuana that was purchased. The audio/video unit captured the entire incident with an uninterrupted video feed. A jury was impaneled to hear this evidence, but after deliberation, the jury acquitted Mr. Rutherford of this charge.

**GUILTY PLEAS/SENTENCINGS:**

This section of our Newsletter includes a brief description of sentencing hearings that took place during the previous two-month period. While many consider "plea-bargains" as a negative way to resolve cases, defendants typically plead guilty to the same charges they are indicted for. When the defendant is sentenced following a guilty plea, they stand convicted of the charges just as if a jury had found them guilty. Therefore, the only thing they bargain away is their right to a jury trial and right to appeal. You will also see the jail-intake photos of these Defendants, when available.

Once the Commonwealth makes an offer and the Defendant enters a guilty plea, it is up to the Circuit Judge to determine if the Defendant will be probated or sentenced to prison. Another option that the judge has is one that must be agreed upon by the Defendant and by the Commonwealth – Pretrial Diversion.

**Pretrial Diversion:** Kentucky Revised Statutes allow for a person to be placed on a "Pretrial Diversion" under certain circumstances. 1) All charges which they are pleading guilty must be Class D felonies (1-5 years); 2) The person must enter a plea of guilty, or a plea pursuant to North Carolina v. Alford before becoming eligible for pretrial diversion; 3) Persons ineligible for probation, parole or conditional discharge under KRS 532.045 shall be ineligible; 4) a person convicted of a Class D felony for which early release is disallowed by statute including KRS 189A.010(8) and KRS 189A.120(2) [DUIs] shall be ineligible 5) No person shall be eligible for this program more than once in any five (5) year period. A person who is placed on diversion is considered a convicted felon during the period of their diversion and is subject to the same conditions as someone who is on felony probation. If someone completes that period of diversion/probation without any infractions or new charges, they can move the court to have their case dismissed/diverted, and they are no longer a convicted felon.

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**Commonwealth v. Frensceno Washington**  
**Judge: Andrew Self**  
**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**  
**Police Agency: Christian Co. Sheriff's Ofc.**



On May 13, 2009, Frensceno Washington entered guilty pleas to 5 counts

of Theft by Unlawful Taking over \$300. Washington was sentenced to 5 years on September 2, and he was placed on a pre-trial diversion for a period of 3 years.

**Commonwealth v. Christopher Taylor**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On April 29, 2009, Christopher Taylor pled guilty to Assault Third-Degree, Fleeing or Evading the Police, First-Degree, Criminal Mischief, First-Degree, and Resisting Arrest in Indictment 08-CR-00555. Taylor also pled guilty to Bail Jumping in Indictment 09-CR-00083 for failing to appear for court as ordered. On September 2, 2009, he was sentenced to 2 years in 08-CR-00555, and 3 years in 09-CR-00083 to run consecutively, and was final sentenced to serve 5 years in prison. Taylor has another felony indictment pending in Christian County that has not yet been resolved.

**Commonwealth v. Dianna Vinson**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Christian Co. Sheriff's Dept.**



On May 13, 2009, Dianna Vinson pled guilty to one count of Possession of Cocaine. Vinson was sentenced on September 2, 2009. Because this is Vinson's first felony offense, the prison sentence was diverted for 5 years with strict conditions, including that she abstain from drugs and alcohol.

**Commonwealth v. Tyechia Walton**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Dept. for Community Based Services**



On April 29, 2009, Tyechia Walton pled guilty to 2 counts of Making a False Statement to Receive Government Benefits Greater than \$100. On September 2, 2009, Walton was sentenced to 5 years. Given that the situation involved significant restitution owed to the state, the sentence was pretrial diverted for 5 years with strict conditions.

**Commonwealth v. Lionel Dunn**

**Judge: Andrew C. Self**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009, Lionel Dunn entered a guilty plea to Trafficking in a Controlled Substance within 1000 yards of a School, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and Knowingly Receiving a Stolen Firearm. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 1 year, and the Court imposed that sentence during a hearing on September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009. The

Court placed Dunn in a felony pretrial diversion program for a period of one year.

**Commonwealth v. Rodney Pierce**

**Judge: Andrew C. Self**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Rodney Pierce entered guilty a plea to the charges of Possession of a Controlled Substance, First Degree, First Offense, Cocaine, Trafficking in Marijuana less than 8 Ounces, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 2 years. Pierce was sentenced on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September, 2009, and was granted probation for a period of two years.

**Commonwealth v. James Sanders**

**Judge: Andrew C. Self**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009, James Sanders pled guilty to Theft by Unlawful Taking over \$300, Knowingly Receiving Stolen Property over \$300, and Theft by Deception over \$300. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 3 years, which was imposed during Glass's sentencing hearing on September 2<sup>nd</sup>. The sentence was probated and diverted for a period of 5 years.

**Commonwealth v. Timothy Case**

**Judge: John Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Christian Co. Sheriff's Dept.**



On September 9, 2009, Timothy Case pled guilty to Third-Degree Burglary, First-Degree Fleeing or Evading Police, and Second-Degree Criminal Mischief. The Commonwealth recommended that he serve the maximum sentence because he had violated conditions of his release and had picked up new felony charges. On September 9, 2009, Case was sentenced to 5 years in prison.

**Commonwealth v. Dannie Joe Arnold**

**Judge: John Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**

**Prosecuting Witness: Ashbel Brunson**



On June 15, 2009, Dannie Joe Arnold entered a guilty plea to the charge of Fraudulent Use of a Credit Card over \$100. Arnold was sentenced to 3 years on September 15, 2009, and he was placed on a pre-trial diversion for a period of 5 years.

**Commonwealth v. Erik Gelfenstein**

**Judge: John Atkins**



**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**  
**Police Agency: Oak Grove Police Dept.**

On June 29, 2009, Erik Gelfenstein entered guilty pleas to Trafficking in Cocaine, Trafficking in Marijuana less than 8 ounces, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and Improper Signal. Gelfenstein was sentenced to 6 years on September 15, 2009, and he was probated for a period of 5 years.

**Commonwealth v. Terry Wayne Simpson**  
**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On July 8, 2009, Terry Wayne Simpson entered guilty pleas to Possession of Anhydrous Ammonia in Unapproved Container, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and 2 counts of First-Degree, Wanton Endangerment. Simpson was sentenced to 5 years in prison on September 15.

**Commonwealth v. Ryan Augustinovich**  
**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**  
**Police Agency: Christian Co. Sheriff's Dept.**



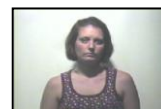
On May 20, 2009, Ryan Augustinovich pled guilty to Theft by Unlawful Taking over \$300. The Defendant was ordered to pay \$1137.13 in restitution. On September 15, 2009, Augustinovich was sentenced to 2 years. Because the defendant had the entire restitution amount paid in full on the date of sentencing, his sentence was diverted for a 1 year period.

**Commonwealth v. Lori Brown**  
**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



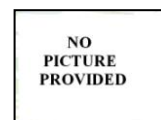
On July 22, 2009, Lori Brown pled guilty to Possession of Drug Paraphernalia Subsequent Offense. On September 15, 2009, Brown was sentenced to 2 years and was placed on probation for a 5 year period.

**Commonwealth v. Crystal Gillingham**  
**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**  
**Charging Agency: Dept. for Community Based Services**



On May 20, 2009, Crystal Gillingham pled guilty to Making a False Statement to Receive Government Benefits Over \$100. On September 15, 2009, she was sentenced to 5 years. Her sentence was diverted for 5 years, or until her restitution amount is paid in full.

**Commonwealth v. Norma Mills-Morris**  
**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**



## **Charging Agency: Dept. for Community Based Services**

On June 17, 2009, Norma Mills-Morris pled guilty to Making a False Statement to Receive Government Benefits Over \$100. On September 15, 2009, she was sentenced to 5 years. Her sentence was diverted for 5 years, or until her restitution amount is paid in full.

### **Commonwealth v. Justin Morris**

**Judge: John Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Christian Co. Sheriff's Dept.**



On July 8, 2009, Justin Morris pled guilty to Facilitation to Robbery, First-Degree, for assisting Terry Robnett in robbing James Simdon at gunpoint. On September 15, 2009, Morris was sentenced to 5 years to be diverted on the condition that he follow strict rules and testify against Terry Robnett. On October 29, 2009, Morris did come to court to testify in Robnett's trial, and Robnett pled guilty after the jury was seated.

### **Commonwealth v. Jeremy Myers**

**Judge: John Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On July 8, 2009, Jeremy Myers pled guilty to 2 counts of Receiving Stolen Property over \$300 for selling metal racks stolen from Meto Cote to Green Earth Recycling Center for \$2,343.60 in cash, in conjunction with co-defendant Kiel Teeters. On September 15, 2009, Myers was sentenced to 5 years to be diverted for 5 years, or until his restitution is paid in full.

### **Commonwealth v. Douglas Wells**

**Judge: John Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Charging Agency: Christian Co. Sheriff's Dept.**



On July 8, 2009, Douglas Wells pled guilty to Theft by Unlawful Taking over \$300 and Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon. Wells was caught ditching his bicycle, jumping into a van owned by Luther Torian, and driving it off a parking lot. Wells was seen exiting the van by Deputy Frye, carrying a large knife. On September 15, 2009 Wells was sentenced to 3 years, diverted for a 5 year period.

### **Commonwealth v. Kiel Teeters**

**Judge: John Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On July 8, 2009, Kiel Teeters pled guilty to 2 counts of Receiving Stolen Property over \$300 for knowingly possessing stolen property valued at \$2,343.60 in conjunction with Jeremy Myers. On September 15, 2009,



Teeters was sentenced to 5 years to be diverted until his restitution is paid in full.

**Commonwealth v. James Blane**

**Judge: John L. Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Kentucky State Police**



On July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009, James Blane pled guilty to Possession of Cocaine; Possession of Marijuana; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; Failure to Maintain Required Auto Insurance, Second Offense; Driving Under the Influence, First Offense; and Failure to Wear a Seatbelt. On September 15, 2009, Blane's 3 year sentence was probated and diverted for a period of 5 years, though the DUI charge was not diverted (it will remain on his record).

**Commonwealth v. Kelvin Dillard**

**Judge: John L. Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On June 2, 2009, Kelvin Dillard pled guilty to Possession of Cocaine; and Improper Turn Signal. The Commonwealth recommended a 5 year sentence and a \$150 fine, which was imposed on September 15, 2009. Dillard's sentence was probated for five years, and he was required to complete a substance abuse program.

**Commonwealth v. Justin Dunleavy**

**Judge: John L. Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On July 8, 2009, Justin Dunleavy entered a plea of guilty to Trafficking in a Controlled Substance within 1000 yards of a school. Dunleavy was sentenced to 3 years on September 15, 2009, and that sentence was probated and diverted for a period of 5 years.

**Commonwealth v. Richie Gernon**

**Judge: John L. Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Christian Co. Sherriff's Dept.**



On July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009, Richie Gernon pled guilty to Assault under Extreme Emotional Disturbance; and Wanton Endangerment, First Degree, Two Counts. On September 15, 2009, Gernon's 3 year sentence was probated and diverted for a period of 5 years, and he was also ordered to pay nearly \$1000 in restitution.

**Commonwealth v. Antonio Hairston**

**Judge: John L. Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**



**Police Agency: Oak Grove Police Dept.**

On June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Antonio Hairston pled guilty to Possession of Cocaine; Possession of Ecstasy; Trafficking in Marijuana, less than 8 Ounces; Possession of a Drug Paraphernalia. On September 15, 2009, Hairston's 5 year sentence was probated and diverted for a period of five years.

**Commonwealth v. Jeffrey Hairston**

**Judge: John L. Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Oak Grove Police Dept.**



On June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Jeffrey Hairston pled guilty to Possession of Cocaine, While Armed; Possession of Ecstasy, While Armed; Knowingly Receiving a Stolen Firearm; Trafficking in Marijuana, less than 8 Ounces, While Armed; Possession of a Drug Paraphernalia, While Armed. On September 15, 2009, Hairston's 8 year sentence was probated and diverted during the hearing for a period of five years.

**Commonwealth v. Matthew Jarrett**

**Judge: John L. Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009, Matthew Jarrett pled guilty to Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, While Armed; Trafficking in a Simulated Controlled Substance, First Degree, First Offense; and Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon. On September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Jarrett's 2 year sentence was probated and diverted for a period of two years.

**Commonwealth v. Michael Edwards**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: n/a**



On May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Michael Edwards pled guilty to Robbery, Second Degree and Theft by Unlawful Taking over \$300. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 5 years, and opposed the Defendant's request for probation because he had committed the same offense to the same victim approximately one year earlier, and had been granted probation. During his sentencing hearing on September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009, the Court imposed the sentence of 5 years, and remanded Edwards to the custody of the Kentucky Department of Corrections to serve the balance of the sentence.

**Commonwealth v. Jeffrey Kirby**

**Judge: Andrew C. Self**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Oak Grove Police Dept.**



On June 10, 2009, Jeffrey Kirby pled guilty to Possession of Cocaine, Tampering with Physical Evidence, and Driving under the Influence. On September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Kirby was sentenced to 3 years, and that sentence was probated/diverted for a period of 3 years.

**Commonwealth v. Morgan Hancock**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**

**Police Agency: Christian Co. Sheriff's Ofc.**



On August 3, 2009, Morgan Hancock was found guilty of Trafficking in Cocaine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and Fourth-Degree Assault – as well as being found to be a Persistent Felony Offender. On September 16, 2009, Hancock was sent to prison for a period of 10 years.

**Commonwealth v. Kyle Fisher**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Kentucky State Police**



On June 10, 2009, Kyle Fisher pled guilty to Wanton Endangerment First-Degree, DUI Third Offense, Racing a Motor Vehicle on a Public Highway, and Speeding 26 mph over limit for racing his car with another vehicle on a well-travelled highway. On September 16, 2009, Fisher was sentenced to 3 years, to be diverted for a 5 year period with strict conditions. Fisher's license will be revoked for 30 months.

**Commonwealth v. Maria Martinez**

**Judge: John Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Christian Co. Sheriff's Dept.**



On May 6, 2009, Maria Martinez pled guilty to Wanton Endangerment First-Degree for leaving her children unattended. On July 1, 2009, Martinez was sentenced to 2 years probation with the condition that she complies with the recommendations of the Department of Community Based Services. Within 2 months after her sentencing, Martinez was discovered to be leaving her children unattended again. The Commonwealth moved to revoke her probation, but Martinez was given another chance to learn parenting skills and was sent to a long-term, in-patient parenting program in Colorado.

**Commonwealth v. Anedra Owens**

**Judge: John Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Michael Cotthoff**

**Police Agency: Office of the Inspector General**



On July 8, 2009, Anedra Owens entered a guilty plea to one count of Making a False Statement to Receive Benefits Over \$100. Owens was sentenced to 2 years on September 16, 2009. Owens was granted a pretrial diversion, and will remain on probation for a period of five years

or until her restitution is paid in full, whichever is longer.

**Commonwealth v. Kendall Radford**  
**Judge: Andrew Self**  
**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On May 6, 2009, Kendall Radford was found guilty of Wanton Endangerment of a Police Officer, Possession of a Handgun by a Convicted Felon, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Subsequent Offense, Second-Degree Fleeing or Evading Police, Resisting Arrest, Disorderly Conduct, and Alcohol Intoxication. The jury recommended a sentence of 5 years each for Wanton Endangerment and Possession of a Handgun by a convicted Felon, plus 2 years for Possession Drug Paraphernalia. They suggested that the felony sentences run consecutively to each other for a total of 17 years, and the misdemeanors run concurrently to those felonies by law.

**Commonwealth v. Antonio Bagwell**  
**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On May 26, 2009, Antonio Bagwell entered guilty pleas to 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Assault, Trafficking in a Controlled Substance within 1,000 yards of a School, Tampering with Physical Evidence, Fleeing or Evading Police, 3<sup>rd</sup> degree Assault, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and 2<sup>nd</sup> degree Persistent Felony Offender. On September 17, 2009, Bagwell was sentenced to prison for a period of 10 years.

**Commonwealth v. Bobby Woodard**  
**Judge: Andrew Self**  
**Prosecutor: Michael Cotthoff**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On June 10, 2009, Bobby Woodard entered a guilty plea to one count of Theft by Failure to Make a Required Disposition of Property Over \$300. Woodard was sentenced on September 18, 2009 to two years, and was placed on probation for two years.

**Commonwealth v. Charlotte Mimms**  
**Judge: Andrew Self**  
**Prosecutor: Michael Cotthoff**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On September 9, 2009, Charlotte Mimms entered a guilty plea to two counts of Fraudulent Use of a Credit Card over \$100, one count of Theft By Unlawful Taking Over \$300, and one count of Theft By Unlawful Taking Under \$300. Mimms was sentenced to 2 years on September 18, 2009. Mimms was later granted shock probation on the condition that she attends long term drug rehabilitation and pay restitution.

**Commonwealth v. Danny King**  
**Judge: John L. Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009, Danny King pled guilty to Operating a Motor Vehicle on a Suspended Operators License; Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon; and Theft by Unlawful Taking under \$300. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 12 months in prison, and that his request for probation be denied given the Defendant's exceptionally lengthy vehicle-related criminal history. The Court imposed the sentence of 12 months on September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2008, and probated the sentence for a period of two years over the objection of the Commonwealth.

**Commonwealth v. Lesia Acosta**  
**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On September 23, 2009, Lesia Acosta pled guilty to DUI, First Offense, Operating a Motor Vehicle on a Suspended Operator's License, Displaying a Cancelled Operator's License and Disregarding a Traffic Control Device. The charges of Possession of a Controlled Substance and Tampering with Evidence were dismissed after the co-defendant took responsibility for those items. On September 23, 2009 Acosta was sentenced to 90 days in jail.

**Commonwealth v. Stephen Puryear**  
**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**  
**Police Agency: Oak Grove Police Dept.**



On September 23, 2009, Stephen Puryear pled guilty to Facilitation to Theft by Unlawful Taking Over \$300 for stealing \$3430 from Anthony Hines. Hines has since then relocated to California, and suggested the charge be amended to facilitate resolution. On September 23, 2009, Puryear was sentenced to 6 months in jail.

**Commonwealth v. Eric Walker**  
**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville & Oak Grove Police Depts.**



On September 23, 2009, Eric Walker entered guilty pleas to the charges of 1<sup>st</sup> degree Burglary, Theft by Unlawful Taking of an Automobile, 3 counts of Knowingly Receiving Stolen Property, and being a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree Persistent Felony Offender. Walker was sentenced on September 23, 2009 to 20 years in the penitentiary.

**Commonwealth v. Damion Lane**



**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**

On September 24, 2009, Damion Lane entered guilty pleas to charges of Trafficking in Cocaine and Alcohol Intoxication. Lane was sentenced to 6 years in prison on the same date.

**Commonwealth v. Davion White**  
**Judge: Andrew C. Self**  
**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**  
**Police Agency: Oak Grove Police Dept.**



On June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Davion White entered a guilty plea to Trafficking in Marijuana, less than 8 Ounces, First Offense, While Armed; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, 1<sup>st</sup> Offense, While Armed; Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon; and Promoting Contraband, First Degree. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 3 years, to be probated and diverted for a period of 4 years. During a sentencing hearing on September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009, White was sentenced according to the recommendation.

**Commonwealth v. Janice Feathers**  
**Judge: Andrew C. Self**  
**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**  
**Police Agency: Christian Co. Sheriff's Ofc.**



On July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009, Janice Feathers pled guilty to Knowingly Receiving Stolen Property over \$300, Three Counts; Theft by Deception over \$300; Unlawful Transaction with a Minor, Second Degree; and Burglary, Second Degree. The Commonwealth recommended a 3 year prison sentence, and the Court imposed that sentence on September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Feather's sentence was probated and diverted for a period of five years, and she was ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$5600.

**Commonwealth v. Rachel Booker**  
**Judge: Andrew Self**  
**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**  
**Police Agency: Office of the Inspector General**



On June 10, 2009, Rachel Booker entered a guilty plea to the charge of Fraudulently Obtaining Benefits over \$100. Booker was sentenced to 3 years, and she was placed on a felony pre-trial diversion for a period of 3 years on September 30, 2009.

**Commonwealth v. Anthony Johnson**  
**Judge: Andrew Self**  
**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On September 30, 2009, Anthony Johnson entered a guilty plea to the charges of Possession of Cocaine and Resisting Arrest. He was sentenced

to 1 year on the same date.

**Commonwealth v. Rashaun Johnson**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**

**Police Agency: Christian Co. Sheriff's Ofc.**



On February 25, 2009, Rashaun Johnson entered guilty pleas to Trafficking in Cocaine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and being a 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Persistent Felony Offender. On September 30, 2009, Johnson was sentenced to 10 years, and he was placed on probation for a period of 5 years.

**Commonwealth v. Kenneth Buckner**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Kentucky State Police**



On June 10, 2009, Kenneth Buckner pled guilty to 2 counts of Fraudulent use of a Credit Card and 2 counts of Receipt of a Stolen Credit Card. Kenneth and his brother, Timothy, used these stolen credit cards around Christian County. The cards were stolen from 2 employees at Western State Hospital, where both brothers also worked. On September 30, 2009, Buckner's 2 year sentence was diverted to enable him to pay restitution.

**Commonwealth v. Timothy Buckner**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Kentucky State Police**



On June 10, 2009, Timothy Buckner pled guilty to 2 counts of Fraudulent use of a Credit Card, and 2 counts of Theft of a Credit Card. Timothy and his brother, Kenneth, used these stolen credit cards around Christian County. The cards were stolen from 2 employees at Western State Hospital, where both brothers also worked. On September 30, 2009, Buckner's 2 year sentence was diverted to enable him to pay restitution.

**Commonwealth v. Brenda Valentine**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Kentucky State Police**



On June 10, 2009, Brenda Valentine pled guilty to Failure to Comply with Sex Offender Registration. The plea agreement recommended a 2 year prison sentence, to run consecutively to all other felonies. On September 30, 2009, Valentine was placed on supervised probation for 5 years on the condition that she remains compliant with the Sex Offender Registry.

**Commonwealth v. Angela Butler**

**Judge: John L. Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**



**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**

On March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Angela Butler pled guilty to Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Subsequent Offense. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 3 years. The Court imposed that sentence during a hearing on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009, and probated and diverted that sentence for a period of 5 years.

**Commonwealth v. Leslie Brown**

**Judge: John L. Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Oak Grove Police Dept.**



On July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Brown entered a guilty plea to Possession of Cocaine; and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 3 years, and the Court imposed that sentence during a hearing on October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009. The Court probated and diverted that sentence for a period of 4 years.

**Commonwealth v. Danny Lantrip**

**Judge: John L. Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Oak Grove Police Dept.**



On August 5, 2009, Danny Lantrip entered a guilty plea to the charges of Possession of Methamphetamine and Rear License Plate not Properly Illuminated. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 3 years. Lantrip was sentenced on October 13<sup>th</sup>, when the 3 year sentence was probated and diverted for a period of 3 years.

**Commonwealth v. Tavaris Quarles**

**Judge: John L. Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Tavaris Quarles pled guilty to Knowingly Receiving Stolen Property over \$300 and Fleeing and Evading Police, First Degree. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 3 years, which was imposed during Glass's sentencing hearing on October 13<sup>th</sup>. The sentence was probated and diverted for a period of 5 years, and Quarles was ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$405.

**Commonwealth v. Patricia West**

**Judge: John L. Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On August 3, 2009, Patricia West pled guilty to Assault, Third Degree, 2 Counts, and Driving under the Influence, Second Offense, with an Aggravator. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 5 years, which was imposed during West's sentencing hearing on October 13,



2009. West's sentence was probated and diverted for a period of 5 years; however, the DUI was not diverted and will remain on the defendant's criminal record.

**Commonwealth v. Christopher Atkins**

**Judge: John Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Oak Grove Police Dept.**



On August 5, 2009, Christopher Atkins pled guilty to 3 counts of Wanton Endangerment First-Degree for shooting a pellet rifle at the home of his wife and children. Atkins was in the street when he shot at the house, and the pellets did not reach the front porch. No one was injured, and the house was not damaged. Tiffany Atkins, victim & wife of defendant, filed an affidavit with the court requesting leniency. On October 13, 2009, Christopher Atkins was sentenced to 5 years, diverted for a 5 year period with strict conditions.

**Commonwealth v. Robert Cotton**

**Commonwealth v. Troy Dalton**

**Commonwealth v. Scotty Ford**

**Judge: John Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On June 17, 2009, Robert Cotton, Troy Dalton and Scotty Ford all pled guilty to Theft by Deception over \$300 and Receiving Stolen Property over \$300, for stealing various metal equipment from their employer, DANA, and then selling them to Green Earth Recycling for cash. The amount of metal was almost 100,000 lbs. The Commonwealth recommended a 1 year prison sentence, to be pretrial diverted upon payment of restitution, which was figured at approximately \$8,383.04 for each defendant. That restitution amount covers only the actual loss calculated from DANA and Green Earth, and does not include any collateral damages which may be pursued civilly. On October 13, 2009, Cotton, Dalton and Ford were sentenced to one year and that sentence was pretrial diverted for whatever length of time was required for them to pay restitution.

**Commonwealth v. Corvyon Thomas**

**Judge: John Atkins**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Commonwealth Attorney's Office**



On August 5, 2009, Corvyon Thomas pled guilty to Intimidating a Participant in the Legal Process. At the same time, Thomas pled guilty to Flagrant Non Support. On October 13, 2009, Thomas was sentenced to 5 years, which was diverted to enable him to pay his child support obligation.

**Commonwealth v. Lloyd White**  
**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**  
**Police Agency: Christian Co. Sheriff's Ofc.**



On January 7, 2009, Lloyd White entered guilty pleas to 4 counts of 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument, Knowingly Receiving Stolen Property over \$300, and Theft by Unlawful Taking under \$300. On October 13, 2009, he was sentenced to 3 years probated for a period of 5 years.

**Commonwealth v. Rosalinda Buckner**  
**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Michael Cotthoff**  
**Police Agency: Office of the Inspector General**



On July 22, 2009, Rosalinda Bucker entered a guilty plea to one count of Making a False Statement to Receive Benefits Over \$100. Buckner was sentenced to one year on October 13, 2009. Buckner was granted a pretrial diversion, and she will remain on probation for one year or until her restitution is paid in full, whichever is longer.

**Commonwealth v. Dewayne Donaldson**  
**Judge: Andrew C. Self**  
**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**  
**Police Agency: Kentucky State Police**



On July 1, 2009, Dewayne Donaldson pled guilty to Operating a Motor Vehicle on a DUI-Suspended Operator's License, Second Offense; Driving under the Influence, Second Offense; Failure to Maintain Required Insurance, First Offense; No Operators License in Possession; and Rear License Plate Not Properly Illuminated. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 2 years. On October 14, 2009, this sentence was probated and diverted for a period of 5 years.

**Commonwealth v. Dominick Merriweather**  
**Judge: Andrew C. Self**  
**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On June 4, 2009, Dominick Merriweather entered a plea of guilty to Trafficking in Cocaine, 2 Counts; and Alcohol Intoxication. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 5 years. Merriweather was sentenced on October 14, 2009, to the recommended term of five years and was remanded to the custody of the Kentucky Department of Corrections to serve the balance of the sentence.

**Commonwealth v. Deonta Faulkner**  
**Judge: Andrew Self**  
**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**



**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**

On October 14, 2009, Deonta Faulkner pled guilty to the amended charge of Trafficking Marijuana Less Than 8 ounces, along with the traffic violations of Excessive Window Tinting, and Operating on a Suspended OL. Faulkner was originally charged with Trafficking Marijuana Greater Than 8 ounces, as it was packaged in about 20 different baggies of various sizes giving the appearance of more than 8 ounces of marijuana. However, KSP lab results indicated that the total weight of the marijuana was only 2 ounces. On October 14, 2009, Faulkner was sentenced to 12 months in jail.

**Commonwealth v. Joashua Quarles**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On August 12, 2009, Joshua Quarles pled guilty to Possession Cocaine. On October 14, 2009, Quarles' sentence was probated for 5 years on the condition that he completes the Drug Court Program.

**Commonwealth v. Kandi Douglas**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Duncan Cavanah**

**Police Agency: Pennyriple Narcotics Task Force**



On July 15, 2009 Kandi Douglas entered a guilty plea to three counts of Attempting to Obtain Controlled Substance by Fraud. Owens was sentenced to 5 years on October 14, 2009. Douglas was granted a pretrial diversion, and will remain on probation for a period of five years.

**Commonwealth v. Demond Kates**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Duncan Cavanah**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On October 14, 2009, Demond Kates entered a guilty plea to one count of Operating a Motor Vehicle on a DUI Suspended License, 3<sup>rd</sup> Offense. Kates was sentenced to 3 years in prison on October 14, 2009. Additionally, Mr. Kates' driver's license was suspended for a period of 2 years.

**Commonwealth v. John Hendry**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**

**Police Agency: Kentucky State Police**



On July 1, 2009, John Hendry entered guilty pleas to 2 counts of Trafficking in Lortabs. On October 14, 2009, Hendry was sentenced to 5 years on each count – total of 10 years – and he was placed on a pre-trial diversion for a period of 5 years.

**Commonwealth v. Bradley Ealey**  
**Judge: Andrew Self**  
**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On July 15, 2009, Bradley Ealey pled guilty to possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Subsequent Offense, and Possession of Marijuana in Indictment 09-CR-00325, and also pled guilty to Possession of Methamphetamine, Cultivation of Marijuana 5 or more Plants, Trafficking In Marijuana Less Than 8 ounces, Possession of a Controlled Substance Prescription, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Subsequent Offense in Indictment 09-CR-00411. The Commonwealth recommended 5 years on each indictment to run consecutively for 10 year total. On October 14, 2009, the sentence was pretrial diverted after Ealey gave a sincere apology in open court and took responsibility for the items. His fiancée, Amanda Plummer, was also charged because she lived in the same house as Ealey, but because she had taken out an EPO against him, and he took ownership of the contraband, her charges were ultimately dismissed.

**Commonwealth v. Robert Gilford**  
**Judge: John L. Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Robert Gilford pled guilty to Possession of Oxycontin. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 3 years, which was imposed during a sentencing hearing held on October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009. The sentence of 3 years was probated and diverted for a period of 3 years.

**Commonwealth v. Bertram Dupree**  
**Judge: John L. Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**  
**Police Agency: Oak Grove Police Dept.**



On October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009, Bertram Dupree pled guilty to Fleeing and Evading Police, Second Degree. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 12 months, which was probated during that same hearing on October 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Commonwealth v. Cecil Keys**  
**Judge: John L. Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**  
**Police Agency: n/a**



On August 18, 2009, Cecil Keys pled guilty to Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument, Second Degree, 7 Counts, and to Bail Jumping, First Degree. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 6 years. On October 21, 2009, that sentence was probated and diverted for a period of

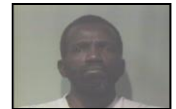
five years.

**Commonwealth v. Travis Merritt**  
**Judge: John L. Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009, Travis Merritt pled guilty to Theft by Unlawful Taking under \$300 and Criminal Facilitation to Unlawful Transaction with a Minor, First Degree. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 12 months, which was imposed during Merritt's sentencing hearing on October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009. His sentence was probated for a period of two years.

**Commonwealth v. Ronnie Smoot**  
**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On July 27, 2009, Ronnie Smoot entered a guilty plea to 2<sup>nd</sup> offense Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. On October 21, 2009, Smoot was sentenced to 1 year and was placed on a pre-trial diversion for 1 year.

**Commonwealth v. Barry Jones**  
**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Duncan Cavanah**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On October 21, 2009 Barry Jones entered a guilty plea to one count of Receiving Stolen Property Under \$500. Woodard was sentenced on the same date to twelve months in the County Jail. This sentence was probated for a period of two years, as Jones paid full restitution prior to being sentenced.

**Commonwealth v. Tamra Drago-Young**  
**Judge: John Atkins**  
**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On October 26, 2009, the day of her jury trial, Tamra Drago-Young pled guilty to Possession of Cocaine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. The Commonwealth was opposed to probation because of her criminal record, and because she waited until the day of trial to plea. On October 27, 2009, Drago-Young was sent to prison for one year.

**Commonwealth v. Donta Bailey**  
**Judge: Andrew Self**  
**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On July 29, 2009, Donta Bailey entered guilty pleas to 2 counts of 1<sup>st</sup>

Degree Wanton Endangerment and Use of Restricted Ammunition. On October 28, 2009, Bailey was sentenced to 5 years on each count – total of 10 years – and was placed on a pre-trial diversion for a period of 5 years.

**Commonwealth v. Larnell Reed**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**

**Police Agency: Oak Grove Police Dept.**



On July 29, 2009, Larnell Reed entered guilty pleas to 2 counts of 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Wanton Endangerment, Possession of a Handgun by a Convicted Felon, Trafficking in Marijuana less than 8 ounces, Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon, Driving on a Suspended License, and No Insurance. On October 28, 2009, Reed was sentenced to 5 years in prison.

**Commonwealth v. Chelsea Young**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**

**Police Agency: Oak Grove Police Dept.**



On July 29, 2009, Chelsea Young entered guilty pleas to charges of Trafficking in Cocaine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. On October 28, 2009, Young was sentenced to 5 years probation, but was ordered to serve 14 days in jail as a condition of her probation.

**Commonwealth v. Keedron Coleman**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Lynn Pryor**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On July 29, 2009, Keedron Coleman entered guilty pleas to Trafficking in Cocaine, 2 counts of 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Fleeing or Evading Police, Theft of Identity, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Marijuana, Resisting Arrest and No Operator's License. In the other, she pled guilty to Possession of Cocaine and Subsequent Offense of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. On October 28, 2009, Coleman was sentenced to 7 years, and that sentence was probated for a period of 5 years.

**Commonwealth v. Christopher Thornsberry**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**

**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On July 29, 2009, Thornsberry pled guilty to Theft by Unlawful taking over \$300. The Commonwealth recommended a pre-trial diversion which would enable Thornsberry to pay back the restitution in excess of \$1,200 while on felony probation. On October 28, 2009, Thornsberry was sentenced to 3 years, to be pretrial diverted until the restitution is paid in full.

**Commonwealth v. Gary Wayne Davis**  
**Judge: Andrew Self**  
**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**  
**Police Agency: Christian Co. Sheriff's Dept.**



On July 15, 2009, Gary Davis pled guilty to Failure to Comply with Sex Offender Registry, Subsequent Offense, for failing to notify the Sex Offender Registry ("SOR") of his new address. Mr. Davis has had difficulty keeping a uniform address that is compliant with SOR. The Commonwealth was opposed to probation for Davis unless and until he secured a permanent address that was pre-verified by the SOR and Probation and Parole. On October 28, 2009, the Commonwealth's recommended 5 year prison sentence was probated based upon his compliance.

**Commonwealth v. Julio Merriweather**  
**Judge: Andrew Self**  
**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**  
**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**



On July 29, 2009, Julio Merriweather pled guilty to the amended charge of Assault under Extreme Emotional Disturbance. The charge had been amended to reflect the lack of cooperation by the victim in the case. On October 28, 2009, Merriweather's 5 year prison sentence was diverted for 5 years with strict conditions.

**Commonwealth v. Andre Myers**  
**Judge: Andrew Self**  
**Prosecutor: Kathi Adams**  
**Police Agency: Oak Grove Police Dept.**



On July 15, 2009, Andre Myers pled guilty to First-Degree Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument, Possession of Marijuana, and Receiving Stolen Property Under \$300. Myers had passed a counterfeit \$20 dollar bill at the Dollar General Store in Oak Grove. On October 28, 2009, Myers' two year sentence was pretrial diverted for 5 years.

**Commonwealth v. Joseph Hopper**  
**Judge: Andrew C. Self**  
**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**  
**Police Agency: Pennyrile Narcotics Task Force**



On July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Joseph Hopper pled guilty to Attempting to Obtain a Controlled Substance by Fraud, False Statement or Forgery, First Degree, 7 Counts. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 5 years. On October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009, the Court probated the sentence it for a period of 5 years.

**Commonwealth v. Robert Crabtree**  
**Judge: Andrew C. Self**  
**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**



**Police Agency: Hopkinsville Police Dept.**

On May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Robert Crabtree pled guilty to Possession of Methamphetamine. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 3 years to be probated and diverted for a period of 3 years, so long as the Defendant maintains his sobriety and continues with treatment as ordered by the Court. The Court imposed that sentence recommendation during the sentencing hearing on October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

**Commonwealth v. Holly Gooden**

**Judge: Andrew C. Self**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Oak Grove Police Dept.**



On October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Holly Gooden pled guilty to Wanton Endangerment, Second Degree; Criminal Facilitation of Cultivation of Marijuana, Five Plants or More, First Offense; Trafficking in Marijuana, less than 8 Ounces, First Offense; and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 12 months in jail. On October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009, her sentence was probated for a period of two years.

**Commonwealth v. Stewart Grace**

**Judge: Andrew C. Self**

**Prosecutor: Whitney H. Westerfield**

**Police Agency: Kentucky State Police**



On July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Stewart Grace entered a guilty plea to Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Subsequent Offense; Possession of Marijuana; Driving Under the Influence, Second Offense; and Improper Start from a Parked Position. The Commonwealth recommended a sentence of 2 years, to be probated and diverted for a period of 3 years, with 7 days to serve and 7 days of community service, along with \$775 in DUI fines and costs. During a sentencing hearing on October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Grace was sentenced according to the recommendation.

**Commonwealth v. Lucinda Bivins**

**Judge: Andrew Self**

**Prosecutor: Michael Cotthoff**

**Police Agency: Pennyrile Narcotics Task Force**




On July 29, 2009, Lucinda Bivins entered guilty pleas to two counts of Forgery of a Prescription. Bivens was sentenced to three years on October 29, 2009, and she was placed on probation for a period of five years.

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