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Greenville Men Sentenced on Drug Trafficking Charges

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that DOMINIQUE JARARD SHUMATE, age 28, and ANDREW DAVION BURNSIDE, age 25 were convicted on May 16, 2012 by a Greenville County jury on multiple drug charges. Each man was convicted of Trafficking in Cocaine Base over 10 grams; Distribution and Manufacturing cocaine base, Possession of a Weapon During the Commission of a Violent Crime, Possession of Cocaine and Possession of Controlled Substance. ANDREW BURNSIDE, who had two prior convictions for Possession of Cocaine and Cocaine Base, was sentenced to 25 years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections by the Honorable C. Victor Pyle Jr. DOMINIQUE SHUMATE, who had one prior conviction for Possession of Cocaine Base, was sentenced to 15 years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections by Judge Pyle. Each man will have to serve at least 85 % of their sentence before he becomes eligible for parole

Evidence presented at the trial by Assistant Solicitors Lisa Bentley and Kayce McCall established that both men were found barricaded inside Lot 7 on Old Bleachery Road on November 18, 2010. After weeks of investigation, under the direction of Deputy Jacob Walters, members of the Greenville County Directed Patrol Unit, the Greenville County SWAT Team and members of the Greenville County Vice & Narcotics Division executed a number of search warrants in the Old Bleachery Road trailer park on November 18. Inside Lot 7 they located SHUMATE AND BURNSIDE in possession of over 18 grams of crack cocaine, nearly 3 grams of powder cocaine, an assortment of prescription pills, a loaded Glock .40 handgun and assorted paraphernalia as evicence they were manufacturing and selling the drugs from that residence.