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TIMBERLAKE MAN SENTENCED FOR BRIBERY OF A PUBLIC OFFICIAL

RALEIGH - United States Attorney Thomas G. Walker announced today that Senior United States District Judge W. Earl Britt sentenced **WILLIAM NEVILLE DOWE**, of Timberlake, North Carolina, for Bribery of a Public Official, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 201(b)(2)(C). **DOWE** was sentenced to 36 months' imprisonment, followed by a three-year term of supervised release.

The investigation revealed that **DOWE** worked as a corrections officer at Federal Correctional Institution-Butner, in Butner, North Carolina, from 2006 to September 2012. Between July 2011 and June 2012, **DOWE** smuggled contraband, including cigarettes, alcohol, pornographic magazines, cellular phones and marijuana, inside the federal institution and sold the contraband to inmates. Agents estimate that **DOWE** received bribes amounting to approximately \$15,000.

The investigation of this case was conducted by the Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General, United

States Postal Service, and the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Kimberly A. Moore.

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