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Employee at FCI Elkton charged with attempting to provide cigarettes to inmate

A one-count information was filed charging a federal prison employee with providing a prohibited object to an inmate, said U.S. Attorney Justin E. Herdman.

Keith Stokes, 48, of Lisbon, Ohio, attempted to provide cigarettes to an inmate on Sept. 25, 2016. Stokes was employed by FCI Elkton at the time, according to the information.

If convicted, the defendant's sentence will be determined by the Court after review of factors unique to this case, including the defendant's prior criminal record, if any, the defendant's role in the offense and the characteristics of the violations. In all cases, the sentence will not exceed the statutory maximum and, in most cases, it will be less than the maximum.

The investigation preceding the information was conducted by the Office of the Inspector General. The matter is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney David M. Toepfer.

An information is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. A defendant is entitled to a fair trial in which it will be the government's burden to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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