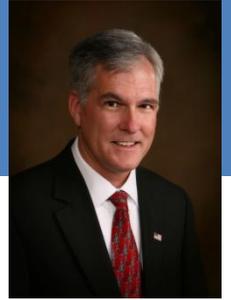


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Jury Finds Jefferson City Man Guilty of Sale of Cocaine

JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI (January 21, 2015) – A Cole County Jury found Jefferson City man, Jerry White, Jr. guilty of selling cocaine Tuesday after deliberating about an hour. The case stemmed from an undercover operation involving the controlled buy of crack cocaine from Jerry White, Jr. in May of 2011. Officers testified that White sold the cocaine to a confidential informant for \$100.

Assistant Prosecutor Steven M. Kretzer tried the case for the State. “I am pleased that the Cole County citizens that served on the jury reached a just decision,” Kretzer said.

Prior to the trial, the court ruled that the defendant was a prior drug offender in that he had a prior felony conviction for a drug related crime. That finding means that White’s sentencing range will be that of a Class A felony. Class A felonies are punishable in Missouri by 10 years to 30 years or life in prison. The court indicated that the matter would be set for a sentencing hearing at a later date.