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Johns Island Drug Dealer Sentenced to Fifteen Years Charleston, S.C.

Solicitor Scarlett A. Wilson announced that a Charleston County jury found Belvin Maurice Page (b/m, dob 9/27/61) of Johns Island guilty of Distribution of Cocaine Base (“crack” cocaine) after a two day trial in Charleston. The jury deliberated for less than an hour. Page was prosecuted as a repeat offender, having been previously convicted of Possession with Intent to Distribute Cocaine in 2009. He had also been previously convicted of Burglary in the First Degree, three counts of Burglary in the Second Degree, Credit Card Theft, Grand Larceny, and Criminal Domestic Violence. The Defendant faced a sentencing range between 5 and 30 years. Upon the conviction, Honorable Roger M. Young, Sr. sentenced Page to fifteen years in prison. Assistant Solicitors Meg Haley and Spencer Compton prosecuted the case for the Ninth Circuit Solicitor’s Office. Charles Cochran represented Page at trial.

Charleston County Detective Matt Euper initiated the investigation based on their work with a confidential informant. Wearing a wire and escorted by an undercover detective, the confidential informant purchased drugs from Page on Johns Island. Page was later arrested during a search warrant of the same location in September 2010. Assistant Solicitor Compton said, “The excellent work of the Charleston County Sheriff’s Office and the Drug Enforcement Administration helped to secure this conviction. Our community is better with this individual off the streets.”