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MAYS LANDING – A Superior Court Judge sentenced an Egg Harbor Township man to 12 years in prison today for unlawful possession of a weapon, possession of hollow-point bullets and possession of a weapon by a convicted person, Atlantic County Prosecutor Ted Housel announced.

Jerry Jeter, 37, who pled guilty on Aug. 18, must serve six years in prison before parole eligibility, Assistant Prosecutor Seth Levy, who represented the State, said.

Jeter told Superior Court Judge James E. Isman that in February 2008 he was in possession of a .38- caliber handgun and prohibited ammunition, Levy stated.

On Feb.16, 2008 Jeter entered a room in the Rex Motel in Egg Harbor Township. He locked himself out of the room and when he tried to get back in and caused a disturbance management asked him to leave. When the defendant refused, they called police. When authorities arrived they found Jeter outside of his motel room and they arrested him for possession of hollow-point bullets. The following day a motel employee found a handgun in Jeter's room. The handgun was sent to the State Police lab for a DNA analysis and the defendant's DNA was found on the gun and he was charged with unlawful possession of a weapon on Feb. 17.

Anyone with information involving serious crimes is asked to call the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office at 609-909-7800 or go to the Prosecutor's Office Web site at <http://www.acpo.org/tips.html> and provide information by filling out the form anonymously on the Submit a Tip page. People can also call Crime Stoppers at 609-652-1234 or 1-800-658-8477 (TIPS). Crime Stoppers offers cash rewards for information leading to the arrest and indictment of those who commit crimes in Atlantic County.