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**TEXAS MAN SENTENCED ON FAILURE TO REGISTER AS A
SEX OFFENDER CONVICTION**

DAVENPORT- On May 20, 2008, Elite Junior Canales, age 29, formerly of Texas was sentenced by United States District Court Judge John A. Jarvey to 18 months in federal prison, announced United States Attorney Matthew G. Whitaker. Canales was sentenced after pleading guilty to failure to register as a sex offender under the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA) passed in July 2006. There is no parole in the federal system. After release from prison, Canales will be subject to two years of supervised release. Canales was also order to pay an assessment of \$100 to the Crime Victim Fund.

In March 2007, Canales was convicted on a state of Texas charge of sexual assault of a child. In August 2007, Canales traveled to Iowa without properly notifying Texas authorities he was leaving and failing to properly register in Iowa after arrival.

This case was prosecuted in the United States Attorney's Office in the Southern District of Iowa. This investigation was conducted by the United States Marshals Service and the Williamson County, Texas Sheriff's Office.