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**Defendant Charged with posing as DEA Agent to Commit Armed Robberies and
Burglaries
is Sentenced to 11 Years in State Prison**

New York City Special Narcotics Prosecutor Bridget G. Brennan announced today that Tony Clanton, charged with impersonating a Drug Enforcement Administration agent during the commission of armed robberies and burglaries in Queens, Brooklyn and Manhattan, was sentenced to 11 years in state prison followed by five years post-release supervision yesterday by Judge Bonnie Wittner. The defendant pleaded guilty to Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree on May 27, 2008.

Clanton, a Staten Island resident, was apprehended at the end of a joint investigation by the New York Drug Enforcement Task Force (NYDETF) REDRUM group, the NYC Special Narcotics Prosecutor's Office and New York City Police Department Precinct Detective Units which recorded at least five home invasions where the defendant posed as a DEA agent or a law enforcement officer. At the time of his arrest on this case, Clanton was on federal probation for shooting a Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agent during a robbery. A February 2007 search at his home at 755 Narrows Road led to the recovery of narcotics, three loaded guns, 300 rounds of ammunition DEA and other law enforcement credentials, bullet proof vests, scanners, handcuffs and identification papers from robbery victims.