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INDIANA MAN GETS 12 YEARS FOR MULTIPLE WEAPONS OFFENSES

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*RE: **Lorenzo J. Garcia**: Age 33 (d.o.b. 11-28-1989), of the 5000 block of Magoun Avenue, East Chicago, Indiana. Case No. 2023CF626.*

Kane County State's Attorney Jamie L. Mosser announces that Judge Alice C. Tracy has sentenced **Lorenzo J. Garcia** to 12 years of imprisonment in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

In July 2023, a jury found Garcia guilty of the offenses of:

- Armed habitual criminal, Class X felony
- Unlawful use of a weapon – machine gun, Class X felony
- Unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, Class 2 felony
- Unlawful possession of firearm ammunition by a felon, Class 2 felony
- Aggravated unlawful use of a weapon, Class 2 felony (2 counts)
- Possession of a firearm without Firearm Owners Identification, Class 3 felony

Kane County Assistant State's Attorneys Brandon Raney and Hannah Stout presented the following evidence in court:

On March 26, 2023, at about 3:30 p.m., Garcia was the front seat passenger of a black Ford F-150 pickup truck that was traveling east on Interstate 90 through Kane County. An Illinois State Police trooper saw the truck commit a traffic violation and stopped it. While speaking with the pickup's occupants, the trooper saw evidence of the presence of drugs in the vehicle and informed the occupants he planned to search it. Garcia became visibly nervous and refused to get out of the truck, so troopers removed him from the truck. The troopers found between the passenger seat and the center console a loaded Glock handgun equipped with a device that converts the handgun to be fully automatic. Three additional loaded ammunition magazines were found in the truck's glove compartment in front of where Garcia had been sitting. A laboratory analysis found Garcia's fingerprint on the gun.

According to Illinois law, Garcia must serve at least 85% of the sentence. He receives credit for 184 days served in the Kane County jail.

ASA Raney said: “Lorenzo Garcia knew he was prohibited from possessing any type of firearm because of his criminal history, which includes numerous felony offenses and prison sentences. Thanks to ASA Stout, Illinois State Police Trooper Eric Manheim, ISP Master Sergeant Greg Melzer, ISP Forensic Scientists Michelle Borrero and Kurt Murray and John Strode of ISP’s Firearms Services Bureau for their work on this case.”

