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Twice-deported Mexican national in Wisconsin sentenced to 15 months in federal prison for illegally re-entering US

MADISON, Wis. – A twice-deported Mexican national was sentenced Wednesday to 15 months in prison for illegally re-entering the United States after having been previously deported. The sentence resulted from an investigation conducted by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO).

Reynaldo Coronado-Piedra, 33, was sentenced July 18 by U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb, Western District of Wisconsin, for illegally re-entering the United States after having been deported. He pleaded guilty to the charge April 26. Re-entering the United States after being formally deported is a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison.

Coronado-Piedra was first removed from the United States Nov. 19, 2004 following a probation revocation stemming from a 2000 Texas conviction for cocaine possession. He returned to the United States without permission and was convicted in Texas in 2006 of marijuana possession. He was again removed from the United States Jan. 10, 2008 after he completed his prison sentence. He returned to the United States without permission a second time. On Sept. 8, 2009, he was convicted in Portage County, Wis., for possessing marijuana with intent to deliver.

Coronado-Piedra will again be removed to Mexico after he completes his prison sentence handed down July 18.

Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Leah Fillbach Lenzendorf, Western District of Wisconsin, prosecuted the case.

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