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Sumter Dogfighter/Drug Dealer Sentenced to 25 Years

Columbia, S.C. – Attorney General Henry McMaster announced today that Greg Wright, 39, of 4915 Silo Road in Sumter, was found guilty on January 14, 2009, to one (1) count each of the following:

Animal Fighting: 16-27-30(b)
Owning Animals for the Purpose of Fighting: 16-27-30(a)
Ill Treatment of Animals: 47-1-40(B)
Trafficking Crack (28>100 grams): 44-53-375(C)(2)(c)
Trafficking Cocaine (10>28 grams): 44-53-370(e)(2)(a)3
Possession of Marijuana: 44-53-370(d)(4)
Possession of a Weapon During the Commission of a Violent Crime: 16-23-490

On May 25, 2007, deputies of the Sumter County Sheriff's Office Narcotics Unit raided Wright's home and found crack, cocaine, marijuana, firearms, and forty-two (42) pit bull dogs.

Judge Michael G. Nettles, presiding over the General Sessions Court of Sumter County, sentenced Wright to twenty-five (25) years imprisonment.

The case was investigated by the Sumter County Sheriff's Office and prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

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