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## Shade Couple Sentenced to Prsion for Roles in Mobile Meth Lab & other Drug Crimes

Mr. Leslie Storms, 44, and his wife Ms. Tina Storms, 41, both of Shade, appeared before Judge George McCarthy on July 2, 2014, and pled guilty to multiple offenses involving possession and manufacture of drugs, stemming in part from their role in running an apparent mobile Meth Lab out of an RV. The couple's son, Charles Storms, is currently awaiting sentencing. The RV, which is titled to Charles Storms and also contained DVD copies of the first season of Breaking Bad, is subject to forfeiture.

Mr. Leslie Storms was sentenced to a six (6) year mandatory prison term for five separate felony counts including one (1) fifth degree felony count of Possession of Heroin; one (1) third degree felony count of Aggravated Possession of Drugs; one (1) fifth degree felony count of Possession of Drugs; one (1) third degree felony count of Illegal Assembly or Possession of Chemicals in the Manufacture of Drugs; and one (1) second degree felony count of Illegal Manufacture of Drugs. Leslie Storms was also sentenced to a mandatory 3 years of Post Release Control once his prison term is completed.

Ms. Tina Storms was sentenced to a mandatory three (3) years in prison for five different felonies including one (1) fifth degree felony count of Identity Fraud for giving a false name; one (1) fifth degree felony count for Possession of Heroin; one (1) third degree felony count for Aggravated Possession of Drugs; one (1) third degree felony count for Illegal Assembly or Possession of Chemicals in the Manufacture of Drugs; one (1) second degree felony count of Illegal Manufacture of Drugs. Tina Storms, who had no prior record, also had withdrawn \$14,700.00 from her Public Employees Retirement Service (PERS) retirement account which is being paid to the court as a drug fine. In addition, Tina Storms was sentenced to a mandatory 3 years of Post Release Control once her prison term is completed.

Prosecutor Keller Blackburn stated, "This is another sad case where addiction has led to criminal behavior and is tearing families apart."

This case was investigated by the Athens County Sheriff's Office.