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## **News Release**

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### **Pharmacy robber sentenced to 140 months in prison**

Following a 4 day jury trial, Donald Daniel Labar, 21, was convicted of two counts of Robbery in the Second Degree, two counts of Coercion, two counts of Menacing, one count of Aggravated Theft in the First Degree, one count of Theft in the First Degree, and two counts of Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance. The convictions stem from events on March 10, 2010, and July 11, 2010, at the Rite Aid Pharmacy in Newport. Labar robbed the pharmacy of a substantial amount of Oxycontin.

The case was prosecuted by Lincoln County Deputy District Attorney Elijah Michalowski. On April 14, 2011, Labar was sentenced by Lincoln County Circuit Court Judge Sheryl Bachart to 70 months in prison for each incident, for a total of 140 months in prison. "Your crime wasn't just against [the victims], it was against the community," said Judge Bachart.

"Solving this case took the close cooperation and hard work of many agencies," said Detective Brent Gainer of the Newport Police Department, the lead detective in the case. Other involved agencies were the Lincoln Interagency Narcotics Team, Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, Oregon State Police, Clackamas County Sheriff's Office, and the Marion County Sheriff's Office.

"Mr Labar's actions have had lasting impacts on the victims," said Deputy District Attorney Michalowski. "It is vital that we bring justice and closure to these types of cases."

Prescription drug abuse is the fastest growing illicit drug abuse problem in Oregon and our Nation, especially among young persons. "We are continuing our work in the areas of prevention, enforcement, and treatment in an ongoing effort to address this growing problem," said District Attorney Rob Bovett, "but we will continue to aggressively prosecute all robberies."

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