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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**DATE:** February 13, 2025 **RE:** State v. Edward Renard Kyler Sr.

On Wednesday, February 12, 2025, Edward Renard Kyler Sr, 42, of Baltimore, was convicted of Possession of a Firearm with a Felony Conviction following a two-day jury trial before the Honorable Alex Allman in the Circuit Court for Harford County.

Facts presented in trial proved that on June 26, 2022, Deputies with the Harford County Sheriff's Office executed a search and seizure warrant in the 1100 block of Iron Bark Court in Bel Air, MD. The warrant was in furtherance of an investigation into Edward Renard Kyler, Sr. Kyler is prohibited from possessing regulated firearms and was reported to have some in his possession. A search of the residence revealed a black backpack belonging to Kyler, containing 3 BB guns, a Glock 9mm 10-round magazine (empty), a Glock BB magazine, a black handgun magazine with blank rounds, a CYTAC handgun holster, and a .22 caliber ROHM Model 66 revolver. A second search and seizure warrant of the Defendant's vehicle revealed a black polo shirt labeled "SECURITY", a black police-style outer carrier vest with attachments, "Security" patches, blue line flag patch, a Maryland State Police pin, 1 set of black handcuffs, an ASP-style baton, and four small light bars. Testimony given in trial revealed that Kyler was impersonating a Maryland State Trooper and was even observed pulling over a vehicle and representing himself as such while on a FaceTime call with his then-girlfriend. Following the guilty verdict, Kyler was sentenced to 10 years suspend all but 5 years to serve without the possibility of parole. Following his release, Kyler will submit to a period of 3 years of supervised probation.

Following the sentencing, State's Attorney Alison M. Healey issued the following comment: "This defendant was clearly a threat to our community, impersonating police officers, violating our laws, and possessing firearms illegally with prior felony convictions. Removing these illegal firearms from a convicted felon's possession ensures a safer community for all our citizens."

State's Attorney Healey thanks Assistant State's Attorney Megan Lintott for her efforts in this case as well as Deputy First Class Snee and Deputy First Class Dixon of the Harford County Sheriff's Office for their investigation and testimony leading to this conviction.

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