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Highest Charge: **Second Degree Unlawful Possession of a Handgun**
Sentence Imposed: **5 Years of New Jersey State Prison**
Defendant: **Kyle P. Talmadge, Hardyston, New Jersey (Age 36)**

Sussex County Prosecutor Daniel M. Perez today announced the recent sentencing of Kyle P. Talmadge of Hardyston, New Jersey, for Unlawful Possession of a Handgun. During March and April of 2026, based on an investigation in Sussex Borough, New Jersey State Police Detective Adam Hendrix received information that Kyle Talmadge possessed a handgun in a storage unit belonging to him. During the investigation it was learned that Kyle Talmadge did not possess a valid NJ permit to carry a handgun. During a search of a storage locker rented by Talmadge, police found a .45 caliber handgun. Kyle Talmadge was then charged on a criminal complaint with the following criminal offense:

> Unlawful Possession of a Handgun without having a valid NJ permit to carry, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:39-5b(1), a Crime of the Second Degree.

Kyle Talmadge pled guilty to an Indictment charging him with Second Degree Unlawful Possession of a Handgun on August 24, 2026. During his guilty plea, Talmadge admitted to possessing the Handgun while out in a public place without having a valid NJ permit to carry a handgun.

On October 9, 2026, in Superior Court in Newton, New Jersey, the Hon. Janine M. Allen, J.S.C., sentenced Kyle Talmadge to 5 years state prison with a 42-month period of parole ineligibility. Talmadge was credited with having served 155 days in the Morris County Jail and he was ordered to submit a DNA sample and pay $155 in court costs and fines.

The Defendant was represented by Shaun Russell, Esq., and the State was represented by Sussex County Deputy First Assistant Prosecutor Jerome P. Neidhardt.