Former LV Guard Goes To Prison

(KAIR)--A former federal prison guard at Leavenworth Penitentiary is going to prison.

According to U.S. Attorney Tom Beall, 47-year-old Marc Buckner was sentenced Monday to three years for taking bribes to smuggle tobacco to inmates.

The Kansas City, Kansas resident's sentencing follows a guilty plea to one count of a public official accepting bribes.

In his plea, Buckner admitted that he was paid each time he smuggled tobacco into the prison by hiding it, and rolling papers, in two handmade insoles in his shoes.

Inmates paid him $750 for each can of Bugler brand tobacco and rolling papers, which he says he did once or twice a month for years.

Buckner was indicted for the crime last summer.

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