

Tobacco Smuggling Earns Prison Sentence

**(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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