

21 USC 846 CONSPIRING TO OBTAIN A QUANTITY OF COCAINE, Ct. 1 1 1
 1 USC 841(a)(1) POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE A QUANTITY OF COCAINE, Ct. 2 1 1
 18 USC 2 ADDING & ABETTING, Ct. 2 1 1

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INTERVAL ONE	END ONE AND/OR BEGIN TWO FOR RESTART PERIOD TO TRIAL	PERPETUATING INCIDENT	END INTERVAL TWO
KEY DATE	KEY DATE	KEY DATE	KEY DATE
9/25/86	10/16/86		
APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE

III. MAGISTRATE	INITIAL NO	OUTCOME
INITIAL APPEARANCE DATE 9/19/86	3LBE	DISMISSED HELD FOR C/O OR OTHER PROCEEDING IN THIS DISTRICT
PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION DATE SCHEDULED 9/29/86		HELD FOR C/O OR OTHER PROCEEDING IN DISTRICT SE. DW
COMPLAINT 9/19/86 3LBE		
21 U.S.C. §846 & §841 (1) and 18 U.S.C. §2 - CONSPIRE TO POSSESS AND POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE COCAINE		

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United States of America vs. **Juan**
 United States District Court for Eastern District of Louisiana
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 LORETTA B. WHITE CLERK
 DOCKET NO. Crm. 86-447 F

JUDGMENT AND PROBATION/COMMITMENT ORDER

In the presence of the attorney for the government the defendant appeared in person on this date **Feb. 12 1987**

COUNSEL WITH COUNSEL **Brian Berson**

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MONTH DAY YEAR
Feb. 12 1987

COUNSEL

WITHOUT COUNSEL

However the court advised defendant of right to counsel and asked whether defendant desired to have counsel appointed by the court and the defendant thereupon waived assistance of counsel

WITH COUNSEL Brian Berson

(Name of Counsel)

PLEA

GUILTY, and the court being satisfied that there is a factual basis for the plea.

NOLO CONTENDERE,

NOT GUILTY

FINDING & JUDGMENT

There being a ~~guilty~~ verdict of

NOT GUILTY. Defendant is discharged.
 GUILTY

Defendant has been convicted as charged of the of

FEB 14 1987
Staff Writer

Naive man acquitted
A lack of education and sophistication may have helped an illiterate from Colombia avoid conviction on a cocaine charge Thursday. Drug courier Juan [redacted], 27, who authorities said jumped ship in Miami last summer and was arrested in

Berson, who also told jurors that Lopez had little formal schooling and had been diagnosed as slightly retarded, argued that Lopez didn't know there was cocaine inside a package he was sent to pick up at a New Orleans motel. Prosecutors Cynthia Hawkins and Tom Muehleck argued that Lopez and Murillo-Vasquez were paid \$2,000 to pick up the package for someone else and knew

SENTENCE OR PROBATION ORDER

SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF PROBATION

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF PROBATION

COMMITMENT RECOMMENDATION

Federal court

New Orleans in September while trying to collect a package containing about four pounds of cocaine, was acquitted by a jury in U.S. District Judge Martin L.C. Feldman's court.

The jury of 11 women and one man on Wednesday night had found another defendant in the case, Joaquin [redacted], 26, guilty of possession of cocaine with intent to distribute and conspiracy. He faces up to 15 years imprisonment on each charge.

But the jury continued deliberations on Lopez on Thursday and returned with the innocent verdict.

Brian Berson, defense attorney for Lopez, said jurors apparently accepted defense arguments that Lopez was "extremely unsophisticated, gullible and naive."

something illegal was taking place.

Defense attorneys Berson and John Munsor IV, who represented Murillo-Vasquez, told jurors that neither man knew what was in the package but acted as couriers simply because they needed the money.

Hawkins said Lopez is being held by Immigration Service agents because of his illegal alien status and he may be deported.

In addition to the special conditions of probation imposed on the reverse side of this judgment, the Court may at any time during the probation period or within a reasonable time revoke probation for a violation occurring during the probation period.

The court orders commitment to the custody of the

DATE OF ENTRY FEB 13 1987

It is ordered that a certified copy of this judgment and commitment shall be filed with the

SIGNED BY
 U.S. District Judge
 U.S. Magistrate

Martin J. C. Heenan

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Date 2/12/87

Handwritten signatures and stamps, including "DOCUMENT" and "FILED".