

United States Court of Appeals
FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

No. 01-3804

United States of America,

Appellee,

v.

Edward V. Burris,

Appellant.

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Appeal from the United States
District Court for the Western
District of Missouri.

[UNPUBLISHED]

Submitted: July 5, 2002

Filed: July 8, 2002

Before LOKEN, BEAM, and RILEY, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM.

A jury found Edward V. Burris guilty of being a felon in possession of a firearm, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1). The district court¹ sentenced him to 46 months imprisonment and 3 years supervised release. On appeal, Burris argues that the government presented insufficient evidence to prove that he knowingly possessed the firearm.

¹The HONORABLE NANETTE K. LAUGHREY, United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri.

We conclude that there was sufficient evidence--most notably, Burris's signed statement admitting that he carried the firearm for protection--for a reasonable jury to conclude that Burris knowingly possessed the firearm. See United States v. Stroh, 176 F.3d 439, 440 (8th Cir. 1999); United States v. Balanga, 109 F.3d 1299, 1301 (8th Cir. 1997).

Accordingly, we affirm the judgment of the district court.

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