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Brett Cashman and John Price, who were arrested on February 23, 2004 after they poured buckets of white paint over the Joe Louis "Fist" in the City of Detroit, appeared today before the Honorable James Chylinski of the 3rd Circuit Court of Wayne County – Criminal Division. The pair pled guilty to one count of Malicious Destruction of Personal Property, which carries a maximum penalty of five years. There was no charge reduction.

The sentence recommendation is for probation and 30 days in Wayne County Jail as well as restitution of \$1,000 to be paid before sentencing, however, the Court has the discretion to deliver a sentence of up to five years probation when Cashman and Price return to court for sentencing on May 14, 2004.

Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy said, "This was an unfortunate incident that occurred in the City of Detroit. We take property crime very seriously. This regrettable event could be used to divide the community. We should learn from this incident and use it as another step that will bring the community together."

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