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Oxnard Drug Dealer Sentenced to Prison

VENTURA, Calif. – Ventura County District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that Ivar Laegreid (DOB 06/27/58), of Oxnard, was sentenced on November 5, 2026, to six years four months in state prison. Prosecutors were asking for 12 years eight months in prison.

Laegreid was previously convicted by a jury on October 8, 2026, of seven felony counts related to drugs sales and his possession of a ghost gun. The jury found him guilty of two counts of possession of methamphetamine for sale, two counts of transporting methamphetamine for sale, and one count each of possession of cocaine for sale, transporting cocaine for sale, and the unlawful transfer of a firearm. Special allegations for the significant quantity of drugs (Prop 36) and being armed with a firearm were found true.

In June 2025, Laegreid was observed selling drugs at a fast-food restaurant in Oxnard. He was found in possession of approximately 2.5 pounds of methamphetamine, four digital scales and 200 unused plastic baggies. In December 2025, the defendant was again found in possession of narcotics, including approximately 192 grams of methamphetamine and 44 grams of cocaine. Investigators also recovered $5,942 in cash, two digital scales, 300 unused plastic baggies and an unloaded, unserialized firearm known as a ghost gun.

Deputy District Attorney Devin Mirchi, a member of the Ventura County District Attorney's Office Major Crimes Narcotics Unit, prosecuted the case.

"The defendant brought large quantities of methamphetamine and cocaine into Ventura County and sold them while armed with a ghost gun," Mr. Mirchi said. "We are glad the defendant has been held accountable for the danger he posed to our community."

Case #: 2025031549
Defendant Information
Ivar Laegreid (DOB 06/27/58)
Oxnard

Charges convicted of:
- HS 11378 – Possession for sale of a controlled substance – methamphetamine (2 counts)
- HS 11379(a) – Sale or transportation to sell a controlled substance – methamphetamine (2 counts)
- HS 11351 – Possession for sale of a controlled substance – cocaine
- HS 11352(a) – Sale or transportation to sell a controlled substance – cocaine
- PC 27545 – Unlawful transfer of firearm

Special allegations found true:
- HS 11370.4(b)(1)(A) – Enhanced punishment by quantity (2025 Prop 36)
- PC 12022(c) – Person armed with firearm – drug offense

