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Green, an ex-Marine and 20-year veteran of the Lafayette Police Department, was a narcotics officer during part of the drug conspiracy. Green, fired after his conviction, is imprisoned in Minnesota.

Colomb was arrested in Texas in 1995 and later pleaded guilty in Louisiana to state drug

racketeering charges.

He was sentenced to 50 years in prison, but that term later was reduced to 10 years because he cooperated with the government.

During a hearing in January, an attorney for Green asked a three-judge 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals panel to shave five years off the 25-year sentence U.S. District Judge Rebecca Doherty handed him in April.

Rebecca Hudsmith, Green's court-appointed attorney, argued Doherty failed to tell jurors that, if they convicted Green, they had to specifically determine the quantity of drugs involved.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Todd Clemens countered that Green's indictment, which jurors had during their deliberations, accused him of conspiring to possess with intent to distribute more than 50 kilograms of cocaine and 50,000-plu pills called Preludes.

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Takao Yoshida, a maker of Mizuno gloves from Osaka, Japan, stitches together a glove for spectators this weekend at M.L. 'Tigue' Mcore Field in Lafayette. The 25-year-old learned the trade by watching his father. Yoshida is taking part in a nine-month tour of the United States by Mizuno. The tour, called 'Dare to Dream,' is designed to create interest in baseball among young people.

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