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Harsh Sentence for Ex-NFL's Burress

Plaxico Burress, the super bowl champion and now ex-New York Giant has gone to jail. He will serve two years, with a minimum of 20 months, for a weapons charge.

Sounds serious enough. What did he do? Is this another case of a celebrity or sports personality out of control?

In November 2008 [Burress went to a Manhattan night club](#) with a gun tucked into his waistband. It slipped down his leg and went off as he tried to grab it, wounding him in the thigh. Burress had a lapsed concealed carry permit for the state of Florida, but was not a licensed carrier in New York. He was taken to a hospital by a teammate.



The Big Apple's Mayor [Bloomberg slammed the hospital and the Giants team](#) for not reporting the shooting to police — New York's finest only learned of the accident from TV reports. Bloomberg demanded that prosecutors throw the book at Burress for bringing a loaded handgun into Bloomberg's fair city — gun laws being quite stringent there, with a minimum of 3 1/2 years in prison for conviction of a second-degree criminal possession of a weapon, which this was deemed.

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