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ANCHORAGE MAN INDICTED BY FEDERAL GRAND JURY FOR BANK ROBBERY

Anchorage, Alaska – United States Attorney Karen Loeffler announced that Jarell Paul Arnold of Anchorage, Alaska, was indicted by a federal grand jury in Anchorage for one count of bank robbery.

The one-count indictment named Arnold, age 34, as the sole defendant.

According to the indictment, Arnold is alleged to have robbed the Alaska USA Credit Union branch located at 777 Juneau St. in Anchorage on August 7, 2009, and is alleged to have taken approximately \$599.90 of the credit union's funds during the robbery.

Assistant United States Attorney Craig M. Warner, who presented the case to the grand jury, indicated that the law provides for a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison for bank robbery as well as fines totaling up to \$250,000.00 and up to five years of supervised release following service of a prison sentence. A criminal complaint dated August 7, 2009 alleges that Arnold approached a bank teller at Alaska USA Credit Union, gave his name and account number to request his account balance, and then presented the bank teller with a handwritten note stating that he had a gun, and demanding all the money in the teller's drawer.

Arnold has been detained since his arrest on August 10, 2009.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Anchorage Police Department conducted the investigation leading to the indictment in this case.

An indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial at which the government must prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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