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## **FEDERAL GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENTS**

Madison, Wisconsin -- A federal grand jury in the Western District of Wisconsin, sitting in Madison, returned the following indictments yesterday. You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

### **THREE CHARGED WITH DISTRIBUTING COCAINE IN ROCK COUNTY**

Penny Schaaf, a/ka/a Penny Reynolds, 57, Janesville, Wis., Francisco Uresti, 34, Rockford, Ill., and Nicolas Wolf, 27, Machesney Park, Ill., are charged with conspiracy to distribute cocaine. The indictment alleges that the conspiracy operated from October 2008 to April 1, 2009, and involved 500 grams or more of cocaine. The indictment also charges Schaaf with distributing cocaine on March 31, 2009, and Uresti and Wolf with distributing cocaine on April 1, 2009.

If convicted, they each face a mandatory minimum penalty of five years and a maximum penalty of 40 years in federal prison on the conspiracy charge, and a maximum of 20 years in federal prison on each distribution charge. The charges against them are the result of an investigation by the Madison and Rockford offices of the Drug Enforcement Administration; Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation; Janesville Police Department; and Vernon County Sheriff's Department. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

### **MADISON MAN CHARGED WITH DISTRIBUTING CRACK COCAINE**

Michael D. Ball, 31, Madison, Wis., is charged with three counts of distributing five grams or more of crack cocaine, and one count of possessing 50 grams or more of crack cocaine with intent to distribute. The indictment alleges that he distributed crack cocaine on February 23, March 2, and March 6, 2009, and that he possessed 50 grams or more of crack cocaine on March 25, 2009.

If convicted, he faces a mandatory minimum penalty of five years and a maximum penalty of 40 years in federal prison on each distribution charge, and a mandatory minimum of 10 years and a maximum of life in federal prison on the possession charge. The charges against him are the result of an investigation by the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Timothy M. O'Shea.

### **MADISON MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSING CRACK COCAINE**

James J. Brown, Sr., 27, of Madison, Wis., is charged with possessing five grams or more of crack cocaine with intent to distribute. The indictment alleges that Brown possessed the crack cocaine on March 12, 2009.

If convicted, Brown faces a mandatory minimum penalty of five years and a maximum penalty of 40 years in federal prison. The charge against him is the result of an investigation by the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

### **WAUNAKEE MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSING CRACK COCAINE**

Derrick D. Sykes, 27, Waunakee, Wis., is charged with possessing five grams or more of crack cocaine with intent to distribute. The indictment alleges that he possessed the crack cocaine on April 17, 2009.

If convicted, Sykes faces a mandatory minimum penalty of five years and a maximum penalty of 40 years in federal prison. The charge against him is the result of an investigation by the Waunakee Police Department and Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman.

### **TWO CHARGED WITH DISTRIBUTING CRACK COCAINE**

Alvin A. Martin, 32, Middleton, Wis., is charged with three counts of distributing crack cocaine. The indictment alleges that Martin distributed 50 grams or more of crack cocaine on February 25 and March 10, 2009, and distributed five grams or more of crack cocaine on April 1, 2009. Jermaine Grant, 35, Madison, Wis., is charged with one count of controlling a place on Chicago Avenue in Madison and making that place available for the purposes of using, storing, and distributing marijuana and crack cocaine. The indictment also alleges that on April 1, 2009, Grant, possessed ammunition while an unlawful user of marijuana.

If convicted, Martin faces a mandatory minimum penalty of 10 years and a maximum penalty of life in federal prison. If convicted, Grant faces a maximum penalty

of 20 years in federal prison on the charge of maintaining a place for drug use and distribution, and a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison on the possession of ammunition charge. The charges against Martin and Grant are the result of an investigation by the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force and Drug Enforcement Administration.

#### **MAN CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL RE-ENTRY INTO UNITED STATES**

Alfred Munoz-Estrella, 32, a citizen of Mexico found in Wausau, Wis., is charged with intentionally re-entering the United States after previously being deported. The indictment alleges that he was found in the United States on April 9, 2009.

If convicted, Munoz-Estrella faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison. The charge against him is the result of an investigation conducted by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert A. Anderson.

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