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### **FEDERAL GRAND JURY IN SOUTH BEND RETURNS INDICTMENTS**

South Bend, IN—The United States Attorney's Office announced that a Grand Jury sitting in South Bend, Indiana, returned the following Indictment on August 10, 2011:

Joseph D. Cole, 33, Elkhart, Indiana, was charged in a three-count Indictment with one count of being a felon in possession of a firearm and two counts of illegal possession of a machine gun. These charges were filed as a result of an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. This case has been assigned to and will be prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney John M. Maciejczyk.

Eric C. Kramer, 40, of Middlebury, Indiana, was charged in a three-count Indictment with one count of being a felon in possession of a firearm; illegal possession of a machine gun; and one count of possession of a short barreled shotgun not registered to him in the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record. These charges were filed as a result of an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. This case has been assigned to and will be prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney John M. Maciejczyk.

James A. Dibble, 34, of Elkhart, Indiana, was charged in a two-count Indictment with one count of illegally possessing a machine gun and one count of illegally transferring a machine gun. These charges were filed as a result of an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. This case has been assigned to and will be prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney John M. Maciejczyk.

Larry L. Schulten, Jr., 35, of Elkhart, Indiana, was charged in a four-count Indictment with one count of illegally possessing a machine gun and three counts of illegally transferring a machine gun. These charges were filed as a result of an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. This case has been assigned to and will be prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney John M. Maciejczyk.

*The specific sentence in each case to be imposed upon conviction will be determined by the judge after a consideration of federal sentencing statutes and the Federal Sentencing Guidelines. The United States Attorney's Office emphasized that an Indictment is merely an allegation and that all persons charged are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty in court.*