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FEDERAL GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENT

Gerald Needham charged with Felon in Possession of Ammunition

Shreveport, La.: United States Attorney Stephanie A. Finley announced today that a federal grand jury returned an indictment charging Gerald Cortez Needham, 39, of Bossier City, Louisiana, with being a felon in possession of ammunition.

The indictment alleges that on or about April 23, 2011, Needham, after having previously been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year (a felony) did knowingly possess in and affecting commerce, ammunition, including Federal, .22 caliber Long Rifle ammunition; Remington, .22 caliber ammunition; PMC, 9 mm ammunition; Federal, .38 Special caliber ammunition; Remington-Peters, .38 Special caliber ammunition; and 7.62 x 39 mm ammunition.

Needham is scheduled for arraignment on August 9, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in Shreveport.

The penalty for the commission of this offense is a maximum term of imprisonment of 10 years, a term of not more than 3 years supervised release upon release from prison, and a fine of not more than \$250,000.

An indictment is merely an accusation and a defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

The case is being investigated by the Shreveport office of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

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