

## **U.S. Department of Justice**

United States Attorney

Eastern District of Pennsylvania

615 Chestnut Street

Suite 1250 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106-4476 (215) 861-8200

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 20, 2007

## PRESS RELEASE

PHILADELPHIA – United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan today announced that the grand jury has returned an indictment charging Eric Sims with interference with interstate commerce by robbery and using and carrying a firearm in a crime of violence.<sup>1</sup> The indictment charges that on October 2, 2005, Sims robbed the 7-11 convenience store located at 193 Mickley Road, Whitehall Township, PA, at gunpoint.

## INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE	
Eric Sims	Philadelphia, PA	32 years old	

If convicted the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of life imprisonment, a mandatory minimum term of seven years imprisonment, five years supervised release, and a fine of \$500,000. Full restitution shall also be ordered.

This case was investigated by the Whitehall Township Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation and has been assigned to Assistant United States Attorney Emily McKillip.

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE	<b>Contact:</b>	PATTY HARTMAN
EASTERN DISTRICT, PENNSYLVANIA		Media Contact
Suite 1250, 615 Chestnut Street		215-861-8525
Philadelphia, PA 19106		

## COPIES OF NEWS MEMOS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS CAN ALSO BE FOUND AT HTTP://WWW.USDOJ.GOV/USAO/PAE

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An indictment or information is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.