



U.S. Department of Justice

United States Attorney

Eastern District of Pennsylvania

615 Chestnut Street

Suite 1250

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106-4476

(215) 861-8200

February 18, 2009

NEWS RELEASE

Acting United States Attorney Laurie Magid today announced the filing of a superseding indictment¹ charging Steven Gilbert and Richard Boykin with conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute marijuana. These charges arose when Gilbert, through his employment as a U.S. Postal letter carrier, received packages containing approximately 65 pounds (30 kilograms) of marijuana through the U.S. mail and attempted to deliver it. Boykin assisted Gilbert in picking up the marijuana from various locations in Philadelphia.

The superseding indictment further charges Gilbert and Boykin with conspiring to steal approximately \$17,000 through the fraudulent use of government credit cards that Gilbert obtained through his employment as a USPS letter carrier. Gilbert provided government credit cards to Boykin, who used the cards to sell gasoline at various gas stations in and around Philadelphia to others at a reduced price. Gilbert and Boykin shared in the proceeds earned through these fraudulent credit card transactions.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	RESIDENCE	AGE
Steven Gilbert	Philadelphia, PA	22
Richard Boykin	Philadelphia, PA	28

If convicted, defendant Gilbert faces a maximum possible sentence of 125 years imprisonment, three years supervised release, a \$3 million fine, and a \$1,300 special assessment.

If convicted, defendant Boykin faces a maximum possible sentence of 15 years imprisonment, three years of supervised release, a \$500,000 fine, and a \$200 special assessment.

The case was investigated by the United States Postal Service, Office of the Inspector General and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Denise S. Wolf.

¹ An indictment is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

February 18, 2009

Page 2

**UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
EASTERN DISTRICT, PENNSYLVANIA
Suite 1250, 615 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106**

**Contact: PATRICIA HARTMAN
Media Contact
215-861-8525**

*COPIES OF NEWS MEMOS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS CAN ALSO BE FOUND AT
www.usdoj/usao/pae.com*