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## ALLEGED DARBY DRUG TRAFFICKERS ARRESTED AND CHARGED

PHILADELPHIA - A Second Superseding indictment<sup>1</sup>, returned June 16, 2010, was unsealed today charging 12 members of the violent "Third Street Boys Crack Cocaine Organization" ("TSBCCO") in a drug trafficking conspiracy, announced United States Attorney Zane David Memeger, Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent-in-Charge John J. Bryfonski, and Darby Borough Police Chief Robert F. Smythe.

Allen Watters, Jabaar McCray, Reginald Brown, Kile Lowman, Kurtis Martin, Wendall Parks, Tracey Serrano, Jamaal Burton, Jameel Burton, Steven Jonque, Emanuel Rogers, and Gregory Graham are named in a 54-count indictment charging that they conspired to distribute 50 grams or more of cocaine base ("crack"), from 2007 to 2010, in Darby Borough, Pennsylvania and elsewhere. According to the indictment, the TSBCCO was a criminal gang that used violence and threats of violence to control its primary territory along North Third Street in Darby Borough. The indictment also charges various defendants with distributing and possessing with intent to distribute between five and 50 grams or more of cocaine base ("crack"), distributing cocaine base ("crack"), distributing cocaine base ("crack") within 1,000 feet of a playground or school, using a communication facility in furtherance of a drug crime, and aiding and abetting. The indictment alleges that the TSBCCO was dealing drugs near the Children's Garden Day Care Center, located at 301 North Third Street, Today's Learning Center, at 328 Main Street, Penn Wood Middle School, at 121 Summit Street, all in Darby, and near William Harry Elementary School at 5601 Christian Street, in Philadelphia.

"This group was a significant threat to the community," said Memeger. "They dealt drugs near day care centers and schools and used children to transport and sell their drugs. They used violence, and threats of violence to intimidate the residents. In one show of force, a member of the gang shot an innocent resident in an effort to protect their drug operation. We want to help the residents of Darby Borough take back their community."

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<sup>1</sup>An Indictment is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

In addition to the drug trafficking charges, the indictment alleges that the TSBCCO stashed guns in various locations where they would be easily accessible to members of the group in the event of a clash with a rival drug dealer. The indictment further alleges that TSBCCO used violence to prevent others from selling drugs in their area, to discipline and maintain control over its members, and to deter members and others from cooperating with law enforcement.

“No community, large or small, is immune from the violence, carnage, loss of life or the degradation of the quality of life that is the direct and immediate result of drug trafficking,” said Bryfonski. “Despite the valiant efforts of Darby Borough’s Police Department, those seeking to destroy the fabric of this small community eclipsed the resources of the department and community. Working together, bringing the resources of the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Darby Borough Police Department, the United States Attorneys Office, as well as United States Marshals, Pennsylvania State Police, and Delaware County District Attorney’s Office to bear, we have begun to make this community a better place to live, work, and enjoy the pursuit of happiness. This is not the end, but merely the beginning of a process to continue to bring to justice those who seek to destroy others through drug trafficking and violence for personal gain.”

“Our goal is to restore the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward,” said Chief Robert F. Smythe. “We aren’t going anywhere. We will be here cleaning up the neighborhood and we need the public to join the fight. Our department is dedicated to this mission. We want to thank the Drug Enforcement Administration and the U.S. Attorney’s Office for partnering with us and for lending assistance in giving this neighborhood back to the community.”

In response to the dramatic increase in drug trafficking and violent crime in the area surrounding the Unit Block of North Third Street in Darby Borough, Pennsylvania, Federal and local law enforcement has formed a joint task force specifically designed to combat this increase in criminal activity. This investigation is focusing on individuals in that community who are distributing cocaine, cocaine base (“crack”), and marijuana. Because of the physical violence and threats of violence employed by these narcotics traffickers, residents of that community have been held hostage.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	YEAR OF BIRTH
ALLEN WATTERS	Incarcerated	1980
JABAAR MCCRAY	Incarcerated	1982
REGINALD BROWN	Philadelphia, PA	1980
KILE LOWMAN	Darby, PA	1983
KURTIS MARTIN	Incarcerated	1988
WENDALL PARKS	Darby, PA	1980

TRACEY SERRANO	Darby, PA	1987
JAMAAL BURTON	Darby, PA	1983
JAMEEL BURTON	Incarcerated	1983
STEVEN JONQUE	Darby, PA	1990
EMANUEL ROGERS	Darby, PA	1990
GREGORY GRAHAM	Darby, PA	1984

If convicted of all charges, each defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of life imprisonment and a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years.

The case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Darby Borough Police Department. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Faithe Moore Taylor and Melanie Babb Wilmoth, and Special Assistant United States Attorneys James Halligan and Christopher Di Rosato.

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