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NEWS RELEASE

An indictment¹ was unsealed today charging Alberto Figueroa, Jose Laboy, John Laboy, and Victoria Rodriguez with conspiracy to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine, and distribution of crack cocaine within 1,000 feet of a school, announced United States Attorney Zane David Memeger and Lehigh County District Attorney James B. Martin. Earlier today, federal, state and local law enforcement officers arrested each of the defendants.

The indictment charges that from December 2009 to April 2010, the defendants engaged in a conspiracy to sell crack cocaine in and around Allentown. Many of the defendants' drug sales occurred within 1,000 feet of elementary and secondary schools.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
Alberto Figueroa	Allentown, PA	27
Jose Laboy	Allentown, PA	28
John Laboy	Allentown, PA	29
Victoria Rodriguez	Allentown, PA	21

If convicted of all charges, defendant Alberto Figueroa faces a maximum possible sentence of life in prison with a mandatory minimum of 20 years in prison, ten years to lifetime supervised release, a fine of \$66 million, and a special assessment of \$1,700.

Defendant Jose Laboy faces a maximum sentence of life in prison with a mandatory minimum of 10 years in prison, five years to lifetime supervised release, a fine of \$24 million, and a special assessment of \$1,100.

Defendant John Laboy faces a maximum sentence of life in prison with a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years in prison, five years to lifetime supervised release, a fine of \$20 million, and a special assessment of \$1,000.

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

Defendant Victoria Rodriguez faces a maximum possible sentence of life in prison with a mandatory minimum of 10 years in prison, five years to lifetime supervised release, a fine of \$14 million, and a special assessment of \$700.

This case is part of the “222 Corridor Anti-Gang Initiative,” a federally funded program designed to defeat some of the most violent and pervasive gangs in the country. The “222 Corridor” includes the cities of Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, Reading, Lancaster, York, and Harrisburg. The initiative combines federal, state, and local law enforcement resources to attack gang crime and violence throughout the corridor.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Lehigh County District Attorney’s Office, and the Allentown Police Department. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Andrew J. Schell.

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