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FEDERAL GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENTS

Madison, Wisconsin -- A federal grand jury in the Western District of Wisconsin, sitting in Madison, returned the following indictments yesterday and today. You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

TWO PRICE COUNTY MEN CHARGED WITH ARMED BANK ROBBERY

Robert H. McCallie, 22, Kennan, Wis., and Steven R. Willard, 19, Phillips, Wis., are charged with armed bank robbery and brandishing a firearm during a crime of violence, in an indictment returned yesterday. The indictment alleges that the two men robbed the Dairyland State Bank, 903 Grant Avenue, Exeland, Wis., on October 30, 2009. The indictment also alleges that they brandished a loaded .380 caliber semi-automatic pistol during the robbery.

If convicted, McCallie and Willard face a maximum penalty of 25 years in federal prison on the bank robbery charge and a consecutive mandatory penalty of seven years on the charge of brandishing a firearm during a crime of violence. The charges against them are the result of an investigation by the Sawyer County Sheriff's Department; Federal Bureau of Investigation; Birchwood Police Department; Price County Sheriff's Department; Rusk County Sheriff's Department; Washburn County Sheriff's Department; Barron County Sheriff's Department; Rice Lake Police Department; Rhinelander Police Department; Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources; and Wisconsin State Patrol. The prosecution of this case will be handled by United States Attorney Stephen P. Sinnott.

RICE LAKE MAN CHARGED WITH FRAUD

Romaine A. Quinn, 44, Rice Lake, Wis., is charged with one count of wire fraud and five counts of causing funds taken by fraud to be transported in interstate commerce, in an indictment returned today.

The indictment alleges that Quinn, doing business as RJ Quinn Trading, solicited

money from investors purportedly for the purchase of commodities for resale, and in doing so, made false statements concerning the profits an investment would earn, how he would use the money invested, his prior failed business ventures, and his debts. The indictment alleges that Quinn spent investors' money for personal expenses.

The indictment also alleges that on five occasions in January and February 2005, Quinn transported in interstate commerce \$5,000 or more of funds that had been taken by fraud.

If convicted, Quinn faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in federal prison on the wire fraud count and 10 years on each of the five counts of transporting in interstate commerce funds taken by fraud. The charges against him are the result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions, Division of Securities. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Timothy M. O'Shea.

FOUR MEN CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL RE-ENTRY INTO UNITED STATES

In unrelated cases, four citizens of Mexico found in Wisconsin are charged in indictments returned today with intentionally re-entering the United States after previously being removed. The first indictment alleges that Flor Azucena Nores-Meza, 32, was found in the United States on September 24, 2009. He was found in Rock County.

The second indictment alleges that Javier Jiminez-Aleman, 37, was found in the United States on November 16, 2009. He was found in Oxford, Wis.

The third indictment alleges that Edgar Ontivero-Perez, 26, was found in the United States on December 29, 2009. He was found in Rock County.

The fourth indictment alleges that Jose Guadalupe Dominguez, 31, was found in the United States on January 4, 2010. He was found in Watertown, Wis.

If convicted, each defendant faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in federal prison. The charges against them are the result of investigations conducted by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. The prosecution of Nores-Meza and Jiminez-Aleman have been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Laura A. Przybylinski Finn; the prosecution of Ontivero-Perez has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman; and the prosecution of Dominguez has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul W. Connell.

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