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FEDERAL GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENTS

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

MADISON MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF CRACK COCAINE & COCAINE

Duane J. Thomas, 32, Madison, Wis., is charged with possessing 28 grams or more of crack cocaine with intent to distribute and with possessing cocaine with intent to distribute. The indictment alleges that he possessed the drugs on November 16, 2010.

If convicted, Thomas faces a mandatory minimum penalty of five years and a maximum of 40 years in federal prison on the crack cocaine charge, and a maximum penalty of 20 years in federal prison on the cocaine charge. The charges against him are the result of an investigation by the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force and the Drug Enforcement Administration. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman.

SUN PRAIRIE MAN CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLEMENT

Lance E. Bauer, 26, Sun Prairie, Wis., is charged with bank embezzlement in an indictment returned by the grand jury yesterday and unsealed today. The indictment alleges that while employed by Park Bank in Madison, Bauer embezzled over \$227,760 from that institution.

If convicted, Bauer faces a maximum penalty of 30 years in federal prison. The charge against him is the result of an investigation conducted by the Madison office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Grant C. Johnson.

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