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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

**INDICTMENT FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE FEDERAL GUN
CONTROL ACT, THE FEDERAL CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES
ACT, AND FOR ATTEMPTING TO OBSTRUCT JUSTICE**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

KODY SEVERIN

*** CRIMINAL NO.**

*** SECTION:**

*** VIOLATIONS: 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1)
18 U.S.C. § 924(a)(8)
* 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1)
21 U.S.C. § 841(b)(1)(D)
* 18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1)(A)
18 U.S.C. § 922(o)
* 26 U.S.C. § 5841
26 U.S.C. § 5861(d)
* 26 U.S.C. § 5871
18 U.S.C. § 1512(b)**

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The Grand Jury charges that:

COUNT 1

(Possession with the Intent to Distribute Marijuana)

On or about December 12, 2022, in the Eastern District of Louisiana, the defendant, **KODY SEVERIN**, did knowingly and intentionally possess with the intent to distribute a quantity of marijuana, a Schedule I Controlled Substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(D).

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COUNT 2

(Possession of Firearms in Furtherance of a Drug Trafficking Crime)

On or about December 12, 2022, in the Eastern District of Louisiana, the defendant, **KODY SEVERIN**, did knowingly possess firearms in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, to wit: Possession with the Intent to Distribute Marijuana, as charged in Count 1 of this Indictment; all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(c)(1)(A).

COUNT 3

(Felon in Possession of Firearms)

On or about December 12, 2022, in the Eastern District of Louisiana, the defendant, **KODY SEVERIN**, knowing that he had been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, to wit: a February 25, 2019 conviction in the 24th Judicial District Court for Jefferson Parish, in Case Number 18-2993, for possession of methamphetamine, in violation of LA-R.S. 40:967(C), did knowingly possess firearms, to wit: a Glock, Model 17L, 9mm semi-automatic pistol, bearing serial number [REDACTED] a Glock, Model 24, .40 caliber semi-automatic pistol, bearing serial number [REDACTED] a Ruger, Model Security-6, .357 magnum revolver pistol, bearing serial number [REDACTED] a Glock, Model 21, .45 caliber semi-automatic pistol, bearing serial number [REDACTED] which was equipped with a device to convert this pistol to a fully automatic machine gun (more commonly referred to as a "Glock switch"); a Masterpiece Arms, Mac 11, 9mm semi-automatic pistol, bearing serial number [REDACTED] and a Privately Made Firearm (more commonly referred to as a "Ghost Gun"), .40/.357 caliber semi-automatic handgun, said firearms having been in and affecting interstate and foreign commerce, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(g)(1) and 924(a)(8).

COUNT 4

(Possession of Machineguns)

On or about December 12, 2022, in the Eastern District of Louisiana, the defendant, **KODY SEVERIN**, did knowingly possess approximately one hundred machineguns, that is, multiple types of machinegun conversion devices, which qualify as “machineguns” under Title 26, United States Code, Section 5845(b), in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(o) and 924(a)(2).

COUNT 5

(Possession of Unregistered Firearms)

On or about December 12, 2022, in the Eastern District of Louisiana, the defendant, **KODY SEVERIN**, did knowingly possess firearms, that is, silencers, destructive explosive devices, and approximately one hundred machinegun conversion devices, not registered to the defendant in the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record, in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Sections 5841, 5861(d), and 5871.

COUNT 6

(Felon in Possession of a Firearm)

On or about December 13, 2022, in the Eastern District of Louisiana, the defendant, **KODY SEVERIN**, knowing that he had been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, to wit: a February 25, 2019 conviction in the 24th Judicial District Court for Jefferson Parish, in Case Number 18-2993, for possession of methamphetamine, in violation of LA-R.S. 40:967(C), did knowingly possess a firearm, to wit: a Smith and Wesson, Model 36, .38 special caliber revolver, bearing serial number [REDACTED] said firearm having been in and affecting interstate and foreign commerce, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(g)(1) and 924(a)(8).

COUNT 7

(Attempt to Obstruct Justice)

Beginning on or about December 27, 2022, and continuing until on or about January 2, 2023, in the Eastern District of Louisiana, the defendant, **KODY SEVERIN**, did knowingly attempt to intimidate, threaten, and corruptly persuade [REDACTED] to provide false affidavits and false statements, with the intent to influence, delay, and prevent the testimony of [REDACTED] in an official proceeding, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1512(b)(1).

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

1. The allegations of Counts 1 through 7 are incorporated by reference as though set forth fully herein for the purpose of alleging forfeiture to the United States.

2. As a result of the offense alleged in Count 1, the defendant, **KODY SEVERIN**, shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853, any property, constituting or derived from, any proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as the result of said offense, and any property, used or intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit or to facilitate the commission of said offense.

3. As a result of the offenses alleged in Counts 2, 3 4, and 6, the defendant, **KODY SEVERIN**, shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(d)(1), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any firearm or ammunition involved in or used in the commission of said offenses, including but not limited to any of the following:

Glock, Model 17L, 9mm semi-automatic pistol, bearing serial number [REDACTED]

Glock, Model 24, .40 caliber semi-automatic pistol, bearing serial number [REDACTED]

Ruger, Model Security-6, .357 magnum revolver pistol, bearing serial number [REDACTED]

Glock, Model 21, .45 caliber semi-automatic pistol, bearing serial number [REDACTED] which was equipped with a device to convert this pistol to a fully automatic machine gun (more commonly referred to as a "Glock switch");

Masterpiece Arms, Mac 11, 9mm semi-automatic pistol, bearing serial number [REDACTED]

Privately Made Firearm (more commonly referred to as a "Ghost Gun"), .40/.357 caliber semi-automatic handgun;

Smith and Wesson, Model 36, .38 special caliber revolver, bearing serial number [REDACTED]

Silencers;

Destructive explosive devices;

Multiple types of machine gun conversion devices.

4. As a result of the offense alleged in Count 5, the defendant, **KODY SEVERIN**, shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to Title 26, United States Code, Section 5872, and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any firearm or ammunition involved in or used in the commission of said offense, including but not limited to any firearm or ammunition described above.

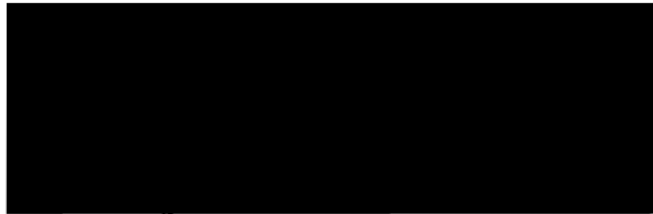
5. As a result of the offense alleged in Count 7, the defendant, **KODY SEVERIN**, shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any property real or personal which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to said offense.

6. If any of the above-described property, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

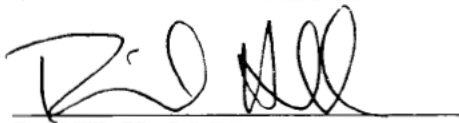
- a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;

- c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- d. has been substantially diminished in value; or
- e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be subdivided without difficulty;

the United States shall seek a money judgment and, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), forfeiture of any other property of the defendant up to the value of said property.



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