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**FATHER AND SON CHARGED WITH MANUFACTURING  
HALLUCINOGENIC MUSHROOMS IN SUPER LAB**

Tampa, Florida - United States Attorney Robert E. O'Neill announces the arrest of Gerald Hannafin, Sr., (68, Port Richey) on a federal narcotics indictment. Hannafin, Sr., and his son, Gerald Hannafin, Jr., are charged with conspiracy to manufacture psilocin, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 846 and 841. If convicted, the Hannafins each face a maximum penalty of 20 years in federal prison.

According to the indictment, Gerald Hannafin, Sr. and Gerald Hannafin, Jr., conspired to manufacture hallucinogenic mushrooms (psilocin) from an unknown date and continuing through October 20, 2010. The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) seized in excess of 2300 mushroom cultures and one kilogram of processed psilocin during the course of the investigation. The DEA reports that this seizure involved one of the largest mushroom super labs ever discovered in the southeast region.

This case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Pasco County Sheriff's Office . It will be prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Matthew Perry.

An indictment is merely a formal charge that a defendant has committed a violation of the federal criminal laws, and every defendant is presumed innocent unless, and until, proven guilty.