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THREE CHARGED IN DRUG TRAFFICKING CONSPIRACY

TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA – A federal grand jury returned an indictment on July 7, 2020, charging three defendants with federal drug trafficking offenses. The indictment was announced by Lawrence Keefe, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Florida.

The defendants are:

- Kammra Witt, 52, Silver Springs, Florida;
- Rebecca Newmeyer, 55, Perry, Florida; and
- Connie Sullivan, 50, Perry, Florida

The indictment and arrests resulted from an ongoing Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) Operation which targeted a drug trafficking organization alleged to be responsible for the distribution of methamphetamine throughout northern Florida since the beginning of 2019.

The charged defendants face penalties ranging up to 40 years imprisonment and fines up to \$10,000,000.

This case resulted from an investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration Tallahassee Resident Office, Taylor County Sheriff's Office, Marion County Sheriff's Office, Baker County Sheriff's Office, Williston Police Department, Madison County Sheriff's Office, Perry Police Department and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. Assistant United States Attorney Gary Milligan is prosecuting the case.

The prosecution, part of an extensive investigation by the OCDETF, is a joint federal, state, and local cooperative approach to combat drug trafficking. OCDETF is the nation's primary tool for disrupting and dismantling major drug trafficking organizations, targeting national and regional level drug trafficking organizations, and coordinating the necessary law enforcement entities and resources to take down criminal organizations and seize assets.

An indictment is merely an allegation by a grand jury that a defendant has committed a violation of federal criminal law and is not evidence of guilt. All defendants are presumed innocent and entitled to a fair trial, during which it will be the government's burden to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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