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GRAND JURY INDICTS SIX FELONS FOR ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that six felons were indicted, in separate and unrelated cases, by a federal grand jury today for violating federal firearms laws.

* **Kyle William Stockman**, 33, of Norwood, Mo., was indicted by a federal grand jury in Springfield for violating several federal firearms laws.

The three-count federal indictment alleges that **Stockman** was in possession of a Armscor .38 caliber revolver and a Stevens .12 gauge shotgun, with ammunition, on Jan. 4, 2003, in Wright County, Mo. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for anyone who has been convicted of a felony to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Stockman** has a 1994 criminal felony conviction for stealing, a 1995 criminal felony conviction for forgery, a 1995 criminal felony conviction for property damage and a 1995 criminal felony conviction for mail fraud and credit card fraud.

The federal indictment also alleges that the Armscor .38 caliber revolver **Stockman** possessed was a stolen firearm and that the Stevens .12 gauge shotgun had a barrel of less than 18 inches in length, which was not registered with the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record.

This case is being prosecuted by Deputy United States Attorney Michael A. Jones. It was investigated by the Wright County, Mo., Sheriff's Office and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

* **Delbert W. Barry**, 29, of Bolivar, Mo., was indicted by a federal grand jury in Springfield for being a felon in possession of a firearm.

The federal indictment alleges that **Barry** was in possession of a Taurus 9 mm handgun with ammunition beginning on Feb. 10, 2003, until Feb. 11, 2003, in Polk County, Mo. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for anyone who has been convicted of a felony to be in possession of any firearm. **Barry** has a 1992 criminal felony conviction for burglary and a 1995 criminal felony conviction for burglary and auto theft.

This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Alex Lewis. It was investigated by the Bolivar, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

* **John F. Stobaugh**, 42, of Hollister, Mo., was indicted by a federal grand jury in Springfield for being a felon in possession of a firearm and for being a fugitive from justice, in possession of a firearm.

The federal indictment alleges that **Stobaugh** was in possession of a loaded Mossberg 12 gauge pump shotgun on Aug. 2, 2003, in Taney County, Mo. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for anyone who has been convicted of a felony to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition or for any fugitive from justice to be in possession of a firearm. **Stobaugh** has a 1997 criminal felony conviction for passing bad checks and was a fugitive from justice having failed to appear on Oct. 27, 1997, for a court appearance at the Circuit Court of Cook County, Ill.

This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Alex Lewis. It was investigated by the Taney County, Mo., Sheriff's Department, the Missouri State Highway Patrol and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

* **Joseph Spencer**, 24, of Joplin, Mo., was indicted by a federal grand jury in Springfield for being a felon in possession of a firearm.

The federal indictment alleges that **Spencer** was in possession of a Lorcin 9 mm pistol, with ammunition, on Aug. 11, 2002, in Jasper County, Mo. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for anyone who has been convicted of a felony to be in possession of any firearm. **Spencer** has a 1997 criminal felony conviction for burglary.

This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Alex Lewis. This case was investigated by the Joplin, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

* **Mark A. Woodcock**, 22, of Golden City, Mo., was indicted by a federal grand jury in Springfield for being a felon in possession of a firearm.

The federal indictment alleges that **Woodcock** was in possession of a Mossberg 30-30 rifle on Nov. 21, 2002, in Barton County, Mo. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for anyone who has been convicted of a felony to be in possession of any firearm. **Woodcock** has two 1998 criminal felony convictions for burglary and conspiracy to manufacture

methamphetamine.

This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Alex Lewis. This case was investigated by the Joplin, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

* **Dwight Norton**, 38, of Kansas City, Mo., was indicted by a federal grand jury in Springfield for being a felon in possession of a firearm.

The federal indictment alleges that **Norton** was in possession of a F. Llipietta, .44 caliber, 5-shot revolver and five rounds of PMC .45 caliber ammunition on Aug. 27, 2002, in Greene County. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for anyone who has been convicted of a felony to be in possession of any firearm. **Norton** has a 1992 criminal felony conviction for delivery of a controlled substance in Dallas County, Mo., and a 1999 criminal felony conviction for unlawful possession of marijuana with intent to distribute in Atoka County, Okla.

This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney James J. Kelleher. This case was investigated by the Greene County, Mo., Sheriff's Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in these indictments are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at www.usdoj.gov/usao/mow