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## **JASPER, MO., MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO FEDERAL FIREARMS VIOLATIONS**

**SPRINGFIELD, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Jasper, Mo., man pleaded guilty in federal court today to violating federal firearms laws.

**Larry E. Boan**, 40, of Jasper, Mo., pleaded guilty before U.S. Magistrate Judge James C. England this afternoon to an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Dec. 19, 2002.

By pleading guilty, Graves said, **Boan** admitted that he was in possession of a Winchester .22 caliber rifle and a Remington 25.06 caliber rifle, as well as ammunition, on Dec. 16, 2002. Those firearms were found in **Boan's** pickup truck when he was arrested by a Jasper County, Mo., sheriff's deputy for violating an order of protection. Under federal law, Graves explained, possession of any firearm or ammunition by a felon is illegal. **Boan** has a 1992 criminal felony conviction for driving a motor vehicle while intoxicated in Jasper County, Mo. It is also a violation of federal law for an unlawful user of a controlled substance to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition, Graves added. **Boan** admitted in his plea agreement to being an unlawful user of a controlled substance.

The case is being prosecuted by Deputy U.S. Attorney Michael A. Jones. The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms and the Jasper County, Mo., Sheriff's Department.

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