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## **BROWNING, MO., MEN INDICTED IN METH CONSPIRACY**

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that two Browning, Mo., men were indicted by a federal grand jury today for conspiring to distribute methamphetamine and violating federal firearms law.

**Wendell Dean Havens**, 41, and **Donald Wayne Hughes**, 32, both of Browning, Mo., were charged in a three-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Havens** and **Hughes** participated in a conspiracy to manufacture, possess with intent to distribute, and distribute methamphetamine between Sept. 28, 2002 and Oct. 30, 2002.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Hughes** carried a Ruger revolver on Oct. 16, 2002, during the drug trafficking crime alleged in Count One of the indictment.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Havens** carried a .22 caliber automatic pistol on Oct. 30, 2002, during the drug trafficking crime alleged in Count One of the indictment.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment 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.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney William L. Meiners. The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms and the Northeast Missouri Drug Task Force, in conjunction with the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

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