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## **CABOOL, MO., MAN CHARGED WITH ILLEGALLY POSSESSING A PIPE BOMB**

**SPRINGFIELD, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Cabool, Mo., man was charged in federal court today with illegally possessing a pipe bomb.

**Kelly Lynn Hensley**, 38, of Cabool, Mo., is charged with possession of a firearm, that is, a destructive device not then registered to him in the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record, according to the criminal complaint filed in U.S. District Court in Springfield.

An affidavit filed in support of the criminal complaint alleges that **Hensley** manufactured two pipe bombs, which were placed at a Mountain Grove, Mo., residence. One of the pipe bombs was live and the other had apparently broken on impact as it hit the ground, according to the affidavit.

Graves cautioned that the charge contained in the complaint is simply an accusation, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charge 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 Richard E. Monroe. The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms and the Douglas County, Mo., Sheriff's Office.

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