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KC MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE CRACK COCAINE

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City man pleaded guilty in federal court today to possession with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine.

Jarrett D. Jackson, 20, of Kansas City, pleaded guilty before U.S. District Judge Fernando J. Gaitan, Jr., this morning to possession with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine.

By pleading guilty, Graves said, **Jackson** admitted that he possessed with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine on Oct. 4, 2002, in Kansas City.

Jackson was arrested for possessing crack cocaine on Oct. 4, 2002, when he was stopped for a traffic violation. At the time of the traffic stop, **Jackson** fled the scene and law enforcement officers later discovered 99.24 grams of crack cocaine in the center console of his vehicle.

Jackson was originally charged with possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Dec. 19, 2002, in Kansas City.

As a result of the guilty plea, **Jackson** may be subject to a sentence of up to life in federal prison without parole and a possible fine of up to \$4 million. **Jackson's** sentence will be determined according to the United States Sentencing Guidelines. A sentencing hearing will be scheduled after the completion of a presentence investigation by the U.S. Probation Office.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney David DeTar Newbert. The case was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

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