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## **KC MAN INDICTED FOR DISTRIBUTING CRACK COCAINE**

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City man has been indicted for distributing crack cocaine on four separate occasions.

**Joe McNeely**, 33, also known as Peter Rabbit, of Kansas City, Mo., was charged in a five-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury, which met today in Kansas City.

Counts One through Four of the indictment allege **McNeely** distributed at least five grams of crack cocaine on four separate occasions in January, 2003. Count Five of the federal indictment alleges that on Jan. 28, 2003, **McNeely** possessed more than five grams of crack cocaine with an intent to distribute.

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 W. Brent Powell. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

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