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KC MAN INDICTED FOR POSSESSION, INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE METH

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for possessing with intent to distribute methamphetamine.

Bryan J. Shoemate, 42, of Kansas City, Mo., was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury this afternoon in Kansas City.

The federal indictment alleges that **Shoemate** possessed with intent to distribute methamphetamine on Jan. 9, 2003.

Graves cautioned that the charge contained in the indictment 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 Kathleen D. Mahoney. It was investigated by the Independence, Mo., Police Department.

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