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WOMAN SENTENCED FOR CREDIT CARD FRAUD

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that an area woman was sentenced in federal court today for a fraud involving 15 unauthorized credit cards.

Angel Marie Starr, 38, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Dean Whipple this morning to two years and nine months in federal prison without parole.

On Jan. 3, 2003, **Starr** pleaded guilty to being in possession of 15 or more unauthorized credit cards with the intent to defraud on Sept. 14, 2002, in Taney County. By pleading guilty, **Starr** acknowledged that her offense resulted in a loss of between \$70,000 and \$120,000.

The case was investigated by the U.S. Secret Service, the Postal Inspection Service, the Branson, Mo., Police Department and the Taney County, Mo., Sheriff's Department.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at www.usdoj.gov/usao/mow