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BOONE COUNTY MAN INDICTED FOR POSSESSION OF CRACK & POWDER COCAINE

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Boone County, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for possession with intent to distribute crack and powder cocaine.

Anthony Rudolph Vasquez, 38, address unknown, was charged in a two-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Jefferson City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Vasquez** was in possession with the intent to distribute five grams or more of crack cocaine on Aug. 27, 2003, in Boone County.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Vasquez** was in possession with the intent to distribute powder cocaine on Aug. 27, 2003, in Boone County.

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 C. Douglas Shull. It was investigated by the Columbia, Mo., Police Department and the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

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