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GRAND JURY RETURNS FIVE INDICTMENTS

MADISON, WIS. - A federal grand jury in the Western District of Wisconsin, sitting in Madison, returned the following indictments today. You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and a person named as defendant in an indictment is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

Federal Inmate Charged with Assaulting Prison Employee

Gregory Brown, 41, Pekin, Illinois, is charged with forcibly assaulting, resisting, opposing, impeding, intimidating, and interfering with an employee at the Federal Correctional Institution in Oxford, Wisconsin. The indictment alleges that that conduct occurred on October 12, 2023. If convicted, Brown faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison.

The charge against Brown was the result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Prisons and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Assistant U.S. Attorney Jennifer Remington is handling the case.

Two Charged with Firearms Offenses

Damion L. Haynie, 40, La Crosse, Wisconsin, is charged with possessing a firearm and ammunition as a felon. The indictment alleges that Haynie possessed a Taurus PT 738 .380 caliber handgun and Aguila .380 caliber ammunition on November 30, 2023. If convicted, Haynie faces a maximum penalty of 15 years in prison.

The charge against Haynie is the result of an investigation by the La Crosse Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. Assistant U.S. Attorney Colleen Lennon is handling the case.

Jaison L. Coleman, 41, Marshfield, Wisconsin, is charged with possessing firearms and ammunition as a felon. The indictment alleges that Coleman possessed a Springfield Arms 9mm handgun, a Ruger 9mm handgun, and 9mm ammunition on or about April 20, 2023. If convicted, Coleman faces a maximum penalty of ten years in prison.

The charge against Coleman is the result of an investigation by the Marshfield Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Central Wisconsin Narcotics Task Force, which is comprised of investigators from the FBI, Wisconsin State Patrol, Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, Marathon County Sheriff's Office, Portage County Sheriff's Office, Everest Metro Police Department, Wausau Police Department and Wisconsin National Guard Counter Drug Program. The Marathon County District Attorney's Office also assisted. Assistant U.S. Attorney Steven P. Anderson is handling the case.

The cases against Haynie and Coleman were bought as part of Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN), the U.S. Justice Department's program to reduce violent crime. The PSN approach emphasizes coordination between state and federal prosecutors and all levels of law enforcement to address gun crime, especially felons illegally possessing firearms and ammunition and violent and drug crimes that involve the use of firearms.

Two Charged with Illegally Reentering the United States Following Deportation

Minervo Vences Cardoso, 44, a citizen of Mexico, is charged with illegally reentering the United States after having previously been deported and removed. The indictment alleges that Vences Cardoso was found in the United States on October 16, 2022. If convicted, Vences Cardoso faces a maximum penalty of ten years in prison.

The charge against Vences Cardoso was the result of an investigation by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Assistant U.S. Attorney Aaron Wegner is handling the case.

Alonso Garcia-Jimenez, 35, a citizen of Mexico, is charged with illegally reentering the United States after having previously been deported and removed. The indictment alleges that Garcia-Jimenez was found in the United States on January 16, 2024. If convicted, Garcia-Jimenez faces a maximum penalty of ten years in prison.

The charge against Garcia-Jimenez was the result of an investigation by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Assistant U.S. Attorney Taylor L. Kraus is handling the case.

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