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SEVEN ROCK COUNTY RESIDENTS ARRESTED ON FEDERAL DRUG AND GUN CHARGES

MADISON, WIS. – Seven Rock County residents were arrested today on federal drug and gun charges, announced Rock County and federal officials. The announcement was made at a press conference in Beloit by John W. Vaudreuil, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin; Rock County Sheriff Robert Spoden; Beloit Police Chief Norm Jacobs; Federal Bureau of Investigation Special Agent in Charge Robert J. Shields, Jr.; and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Assistant Special Agent in Charge Joel L. Lee.

The agencies represented by these officials, along with the Rock County District Attorney's Office, comprise the members of G-ROC, a task force formed through the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Safe Streets Violent Crime Initiative, to address gang and drug-related violence in Rock County through the coordination of investigations among local and federal law enforcement agencies.

The individuals arrested today were charged in sealed complaints filed in U.S. District Court in Madison earlier this week. Following the arrests, the complaints were unsealed. Four of the defendants are scheduled to make initial appearances in federal court this afternoon.

United States Attorney Vaudreuil praised the coordinated efforts of the G-ROC Task Force which resulted in today's charges, saying, "The U.S. Attorney's Office is dedicated to working with local, state and federal law enforcement agencies to remove violent, repeat offenders from our communities."

Cesar Hernandez, 24, Beloit, is charged with four counts of distributing cocaine, one count of distributing marijuana, and with being a felon in possession of a firearm. The complaint against him alleges that he distributed cocaine on January 27, March 12, April 9, and April 15, 2015, and that he distributed marijuana on April 25, 2015. The complaint also alleges that on April 15, 2015, he possessed a .22 caliber handgun which he sold to an individual working as a confidential informant to law enforcement agents.

If convicted, Hernandez faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in federal prison on each distribution count, and 10 years in federal prison on the gun charge. The prosecution of Hernandez will be handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Laura Przybylinski Finn.

Llewellyn D. Sams, 36, Beloit, is charged with distributing heroin and three counts of being a felon in possession of a firearm. The complaint alleges that he distributed heroin on March 12, 2015. The complaint further alleges that on March 12, he possessed a .270 caliber rifle that he sold to an undercover officer, that on April 6, 2015, he possessed two 12 gauge shotguns that he sold to an undercover officer, and that on April 9, 2015, he possessed a .32 caliber pistol that he sold to an undercover officer.

A federal arrest warrant was issued for Sams, but he was already in custody in Rock County on a probation violation. He will not appear in federal court today.

If convicted, Sams faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in federal prison on the distribution count, and 10 years in federal prison on each gun charge. The prosecution of Sams will be handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman.

Fabian W. Jones, 33, Beloit, is charged with three counts of distributing crack cocaine. The complaint alleges that he distributed crack cocaine on August 28, 2014, September 12, 2014 and September 23, 2014. If convicted, Jones faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in federal prison on each count. The prosecution of Jones will be handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Meredith Duchemin.

Paris D. Davis, 29, Beloit, is charged with two counts of distributing cocaine. The complaint alleges that he distributed cocaine on February 26 and March 23, 2015. If convicted, Davis faces a maximum penalty of 20 years on each count. The prosecution of Davis will be handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman.

Leon Patterson, 48, Beloit, is charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm and ammunition. The complaint alleges that on January 8, 2015, he possessed a .40 caliber pistol and ammunition that he sold to an undercover officer. If convicted, Patterson faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison. The prosecution of Patterson will be handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Laura Przybylinski Finn.

Patrick Maurice Little, 42, Beloit, is charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm and ammunition. The complaint alleges that on January 15, 2015, he possessed a .380 caliber pistol and ammunition that he sold to an undercover officer. If convicted, Little faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison. The prosecution of Little will be handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Laura Przybylinski Finn.

Byron Dewayne Kidd, 20, Beloit, is charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm. The complaint alleges that on March 19, 2015, he possessed a 9mm handgun that he sold to an undercover officer. If convicted, Kidd faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison. The prosecution of Kidd will be handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Peter Jarosz.

You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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