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## EVANSVILLE MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF FIREARMS AFTER CONVICTION OF FELONY

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that CARL M. MITCHELL, 40, of Evansville, Indiana, was indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for possession of a firearm by a felon, following an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco Firearms and Explosives and the Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Department.

The Indictment alleges that on July 24, 2006, MITCHELL possessed six firearms after he had sustained seven separate felony convictions between 1987 and 2004 in Vanderburgh County, Indiana.

According to Assistant U. S. Attorney Todd S. Shellenbarger, who is prosecuting the case for the government, MITCHELL faces a maximum possible prison sentence of 10 years and a maximum possible fine of \$250,000. An initial hearing will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Evansville.

The Indictment is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.

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