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MOBILE COUNTY TRIO INDICTED IN METHAMPHETAMINE MANUFACTURING CONSPIRACY

MOBILE, AL-- Landon Daniel Gray, Crimson Danielle Carter, and Clifford Grady Inman were indicted by the federal grand jury today in a four count indictment for conspiracy to manufacture methamphetamine in violation of Title 21 USC §846, two counts of possession of pseudoephedrine with the intent to manufacture methamphetamine in violation of Title 21 USC §841(c)(1), and one count against Gray of being an illegal drug user in possession of a firearm in violation of Title 18 USC §922(g)(3).

All three defendants face a mandatory minimum 5 years imprisonment sentence with a maximum sentence of 40 years imprisonment, pursuant to Title 21 USC §841(b)(1)(B). Parole has been abolished in the federal criminal justice system.

The case was jointly investigated by the Mobile County Sheriff's Office, Narcotics Division and the Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, Enforcement Division.

The U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Alabama, Deborah J. Rhodes, stated that methamphetamine manufacturing, use and distribution has a devastating impact on a community and her office is committed to working aggressively with investigative agencies in pursuing cases against individuals involved in such activities. Rhodes further commended the efforts of the local law enforcement agencies that have investigated the case.

Rhodes added that there has been a recent increase in methamphetamine manufacturing in the district however, law enforcement has aggressively responded. Rhodes stated that among the responses from local law enforcement is the Mobile County Sheriff's Office Methamphetamine Reduction Initiative Program. This program which, among other things, meticulously reviews pharmacy pseudoephedrine sales records in Mobile County to identify individuals buying pseudoephedrine or "shopping" as the phrase is used in the methamphetamine subculture, has been a tremendous help to law enforcement to identify individuals manufacturing methamphetamine. Rhodes added that if an individual provides pseudoephedrine to another person knowing the individual will

use the pseudoephedrine to manufacture methamphetamine, the person providing the pseudoephedrine can be charged in a methamphetamine manufacturing conspiracy even if the individual providing the pseudoephedrine had nothing else to do with the methamphetamine cook.

Rhodes, per departmental policy, declined to comment on whether such evidence from pharmaceutical logs, exists in the current case.

An indictment is a determination by a grand jury that there is probable cause to believe that offenses have been committed by a defendant. A defendant, of course, is presumed innocent until and unless he or she is proven guilty at trial.

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