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Federal Grand Jury Returned Firearms Indictment  
Against Wheeling Resident

WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA — A 24 year old Wheeling, West Virginia, resident was named in an Indictment returned on August 5, 2008, by a Federal Grand Jury sitting in Wheeling, West Virginia.

United States Attorney Sharon L. Potter announced that MICHAEL SHAWNDALE DAVIS was named in a two-count Indictment. The Indictment alleges that DAVIS, who was previously convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, knowingly possessed ammunition on June 9, 2008, and June 12, 2008, in Wheeling.

If convicted, DAVIS faces a maximum exposure of 10 years imprisonment and a fine of \$250,000 on each count of the Indictment.

The case will be prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney David J. Perri. The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives.

It should be noted that the charges contained in the Indictment are merely accusations and not evidence of guilt, and that each defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.