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UPDATE: PROJECT CEASEFIRE

KC MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF FIREARM

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man pleaded guilty in federal court today to being a person under felony indictment illegally in possession of a firearm. Today's guilty plea, Graves said, is part of Project Ceasefire, the district's ongoing anti-crime initiative.

Eugene P. Calvert, 28, of Kansas City, Mo., pleaded guilty before U.S. Chief District Judge Dean Whipple this morning to being a person under felony indictment in possession of a firearm.

By pleading guilty, **Calvert** admitted that he was in possession of a Smith and Wesson .40-caliber semi-automatic pistol on Dec. 4, 2002. Under federal statutes, Graves explained, it is illegal for any felon to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Calvert** is under felony indictment in Jackson County, Mo.

Calvert was originally charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Sept. 10, 2004, in Kansas City.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul S. Becker. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Project Ceasefire

Project Ceasefire, launched in October 1999, is a cooperative initiative by federal and local law enforcement and the Kansas City Crime Commission that targets for federal prosecution persons who unlawfully use or possess firearms.

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