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BOWLING GREEN MAN INDICTED ON DRUGS AND FIREARMS CHARGES

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that a federal Grand Jury in Bowling Green **returned an Indictment** charging **JERRY D. RONE**, age 35, of Bowling Green, Kentucky, with attempting to manufacture methamphetamine, possession of methamphetamine with intent to distribute, possession of a listed chemical with intent to manufacture methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, carrying a firearm during and in relation to a federal drug trafficking crime, and possession of a firearm by a person subject to a domestic violence order.

The Indictment charges that on May 18, 2004, in Warren County, **Rone** knowingly and intentionally attempted to manufacture more than 50 grams of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine; he possessed methamphetamine with intent to distribute; he possessed marijuana; he was carrying a .38 caliber derringer and a .22 rifle during and in relation to the drug trafficking crimes; and he possessed these firearms while subject to a domestic violence order.

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If convicted, the maximum potential penalties are 40 years imprisonment, a \$4,000,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of at least four years.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Larry Fentress, and it was investigated by the Kentucky State Police and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Rone is scheduled to appear for arraignment before the United States Magistrate Judge on February 23, at 9:30 a.m., in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

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The indictment of a person by a Grand Jury is an accusation only and that person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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