



# ***PRESS NOTICE***

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**PEE DEE MEN FACE FEDERAL ROBBERY CHARGES**

COLUMBIA, South Carolina -- United States Attorney Reginald I. Lloyd announced that a Federal Grand Jury sitting in Florence, South Carolina, indicted Bernard Bostic, age 19, Eugene Sutton, III, age 20, both of Darlington, and Terrel Audre Lovelace, age 19, of Bishopville, for three armed robberies last September. The indictment alleges that the men robbed the Spring Mart at 413 Spring Street in Darlington, an Exxon station at 460 Lamar Highway in Timmons ville, and the Jin Jin Restaurant at 115 Pearl Street in Darlington. Bostic and Sutton are also charged with being felons in possession of firearms and ammunition.

The maximum penalty each of the defendants can receive is life imprisonment.

The case was investigated by the Darlington County Sheriff's Office and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF). Assistant United States Attorney Rose Mary Parham of the Florence Office has been assigned to prosecute the case.

Mr. Lloyd stated that the case is part of Project CeaseFire, an initiative of the United States Attorney's Office targeting gun crimes.

Mr. Lloyd stated that the charges in this Indictment are merely accusations and that the defendants charged are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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