



# NEWS RELEASE

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**PROJECT CEASEFIRE**  
**KC WOMAN, ILLEGAL ALIEN INDICTED**  
**FOR ILLEGAL FIREARM POSSESSION**

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., woman and an illegal alien were indicted by a federal grand jury today, in separate and unrelated cases, for illegally possessing firearms. Today's indictments are part of Project Ceasefire, the district's ongoing anti-crime initiative.

\* **Isabella D. Jones**, 41, of Kansas City, Mo., was indicted by a federal grand jury in Kansas City for being a felon in possession of a firearm.

The federal indictment alleges that **Jones** was in possession of a Dan Wesson Arms .357-caliber pistol on May 18, 2004. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for anyone who has been convicted of a felony to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Jones** has a 1992 criminal felony conviction for tampering and a 1995 criminal felony conviction for distribution of a controlled substance.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Bruce E. Clark. It was investigated by the Lee's Summit, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

\* **Juan Cano-Molina**, 53, of Kansas City, Mo., was indicted by a federal grand jury in Kansas City for being an illegal alien in possession of a firearm.

The federal indictment alleges that **Cano-Molina** was in possession of a Colt .32-caliber semi-automatic pistol on June 25, 2004. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for any illegal alien to be in possession of a firearm.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Bruce E. Clark. It was

investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

**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. Project Ceasefire has resulted in federal charges against 627 defendants, and convictions against 538 of those defendants, including 509 who pleaded guilty and 29 who were convicted at trial. A total of 481 of the 538 convicted defendants have been sentenced, and 57 currently await sentencing hearings.

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