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## GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENTS

MADISON, WIS. -- A federal grand jury in the Western District of Wisconsin, sitting in Madison, has returned the following indictments today. You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

### **MENOMONIE MAN CHARGED WITH FALSE RECORDS IN CONNECTION WITH THEFT FROM POSTAL SERVICE**

Robert J. Colaizy, 62, Menomonie, Wis., is charged with making a false entry in an account and record connected to his duties as an employee of the U.S. Postal Service. The indictment alleges that on January 15, 2014, he falsely inflated the number of stamps in inventory, thereby concealing previous stamp sales and his theft of more than \$50,000 in proceeds from those sales. This alleged crime occurred while he worked at the Menomonie Post Office.

If convicted, Colaizy faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison. The charge against him is the result of an investigation by the U.S. Postal Service, Office of Inspector General. The prosecution of this case will be handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert A. Anderson.

### **WOMAN FACES AMENDED CHARGE IN KIDNAPPING**

Kristen Smith, also known as Kristen Pearson, 31, Aurora, Colo., is charged in a superseding indictment with kidnapping an individual who had not attained the age of 18 years, and transporting the victim in interstate commerce from Wisconsin to Iowa. The indictment alleges that she kidnapped the victim on February 6, 2014.

Smith was originally charged with this offense in a complaint filed in U.S. District Court in Madison on February 7, and in an indictment returned by the grand jury on February 19. Today's superseding indictment states affirmatively that the victim was under the age of 18, a factor that triggers a mandatory minimum penalty.

Smith was arrested in West Branch, Iowa on February 6 and has remained in custody since her arrest. Her trial has been set for July 28, 2014, before U.S. District Judge James D. Peterson.

If convicted, Smith faces a mandatory minimum penalty of 25 years and a maximum penalty of life in federal prison. The charge against her is the result of an investigation by the Town of Beloit Police Department; City of Beloit Police Department; Federal Bureau of Investigation; Rock County Sheriff's Department; Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation; West Branch (Iowa) Police Department; Cedar County (Iowa) Sheriff's Office; Iowa State Patrol; Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation; Illinois State Police; Wisconsin Statewide Information Center; and Illinois State Terrorism and Intelligence Center. The prosecution of this case will be handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Julie S. Pfluger.

**MEXICAN CITIZEN CHARGED WITH  
ILLEGALLY REENTERING U.S.**

Jose Miguel Carreon-Villareal, 31, a citizen of Mexico found in Madison, Wis., is charged with reentering the United States after previously being deported. The indictment alleges that he was found in the U.S. on February 8, 2014.

If convicted, Carreon-Villareal faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in federal prison. The charge against him is the result of an investigation by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. The prosecution of this case will be handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Timothy M. O'Shea.

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