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**CONVICTED BANK ROBBER INDICTED FOR CARRYING A FIREARM
DURING A DRUG TRAFFICKING CRIME**

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that a federal Grand Jury in Louisville **returned an Indictment** charging **BYRON PERKINS**, age 37, of 10769 Knifley Road, Knifley, Kentucky, with possession of marijuana with the intent to distribute, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, and carrying a firearm during a drug trafficking crime.

The Indictment charges that on March 12, 2005, in Marion County, Kentucky, while in possession of marijuana which he intended to distribute and after having been convicted of numerous felonies including burglary in the first degree, burglary in the third degree and bank robbery, Perkins carried a firearm.

If convicted, the maximum potential penalties are life imprisonment, a \$1,000,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of not less than 2 years.

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

Perkins is scheduled to appear for arraignment before the United States Magistrate Judge on May 17, 2005, at 9:15 a.m. in Louisville, 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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