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KANSAS INDICTMENTS FOR FIREARMS VIOLATIONS

Jason M. Harris, 31, who is in custody in the Shawnee County Jail in Topeka, Kan., who is charged with weapons violations. In one count, Harris is charged with illegally possessing a Smith & Wesson 20 gauge shotgun after being convicted of felonies including attempted indecent solicitation of a child and making a criminal threat. In an alternative count, he is charged with illegally possessing the same weapon after being convicted of misdemeanor domestic violence. In another count, he is charged with illegally possessing 23 rounds of ammunition after being convicted of a felony. In an alternative count, he is charged with illegally possessing 23 rounds of ammunition after being convicted of misdemeanor domestic violence. The crimes are alleged to have occurred Aug. 24, 2005, in Shawnee County, Kan.

If convicted, he faces a maximum sentence of 10 years in federal prison and a fine up to \$250,000 on each of the counts. The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Jason Coody is prosecuting.

Terry Lee Richards, 24, who is in custody in the Ellsworth Correctional Facility in Ellsworth, Kan., and who is charged with illegally possessing a handgun after being convicted of felonies including aggravated battery, aggravated assault criminal threat and possession of cocaine. He also is charged with illegally possessing ammunition after the

same convictions. The crimes are alleged to have occurred Aug. 29, 2005, in Shawnee County, Kan.

If convicted, he faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison and a fine up to \$250,000 on each count. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives investigated the case. Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Jason Coody is prosecuting.

Justyn N'gai Wooten, 23, Lawrence, Kan., who is charged illegally possessing a handgun after a felony conviction for possession of cocaine. The crime is alleged to have occurred Feb. 11, 2005, in Lawrence.

If convicted, he faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison and a fine up to \$250,000. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives investigated the case. Assistant U.S. Attorney Terra Morehead is prosecuting.

Byron A. Brooks, 21, Leavenworth, Kan., who is charged with illegally possessing a handgun after a felony conviction for possession of cocaine. The crime is alleged to have occurred March 13, 2005, in Leavenworth.

If convicted, he faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison and a fine up to \$250,000. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives investigated the case. Assistant U.S. Attorney Terra Morehead is prosecuting.

David J. Miller, Jr., 40, Mission, Kan., who is charged with illegally possessing a handgun after a felony conviction for burglary. The crime is alleged to have occurred March 4, 2005, in Mission.

If convicted, he faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison and a fine up to \$250,000. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives investigated the case. Assistant U.S. Attorney Terra Morehead is prosecuting.

As in any criminal case, a person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. The indictments filed merely contain allegations of criminal conduct.

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