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CRYSTAL LAKE WOMAN CHARGED IN FEDERAL COURT IN ROBBERY OF CHASE BANK IN CARY, ILLINOIS

ROCKFORD – PATRICK J. FITZGERALD, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois; ROBERT D. GRANT, Special Agent-In-Charge of the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; RONALD K. LUKASIK, Chief of the Fox River Grove Police Department; and EDWARD FETZER, Chief of the Cary Police Department, today made the following announcement:

Today in federal court, **SILK P. LUMPKINS**, 35, of Crystal Lake, Illinois, was charged by federal criminal complaint with the May 26, 2010, bank robbery of Chase Bank, 300 Northwest Highway, Cary, Illinois. According to the complaint, at about 2:20 p.m. on May 26, 2010, Lumpkins entered Chase Bank, wrote a note at the self-service desk, approached a teller at the counter, and handed the note to the teller. The note demanded the teller to give Lumpkins all the teller's money. The complaint further alleges that the teller then removed \$5,876 from her drawer and handed the money to Lumpkins. Lumpkins then put the money into a blue "Chase" deposit bag that she brought with her and walked out of the bank with the bag.

Lumpkins appeared before United States Magistrate Judge Martin Ashman today in Rockford. A preliminary examination and detention hearing is set for Tuesday, June 8, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. Judge Ashman ordered that Lumpkins will be held in custody until that hearing is conducted.

If convicted, Lumpkins faces a maximum potential penalty of 20 years in prison, a fine of up to \$250,000, up to 3 years of supervised release following imprisonment, and full restitution. The actual sentence would be determined by the United States District Court, guided by the United States Sentencing Guidelines.

The case was investigated by the Rockford Office of the FBI, the Fox River Grove Police Department and the Cary Police Department. The case is being prosecuted in federal court by Assistant United States Attorney SCOTT A. VERSEMAN.

Members of the public are reminded that a criminal complaint is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. The defendant is entitled to indictment by a federal grand jury and, if indicted, to a fair trial at which time the government has the burden of proving guilt of the defendant beyond a reasonable doubt.