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## 19 Indicted for Methamphetamine Trafficking and Firearms Offenses

**LONDON, Ky.** – A federal grand jury has indicted 19 individuals from Laurel, Knox, Whitley, and Jefferson Counties, on drug trafficking and firearm offenses, in indictments that were unsealed today. The following individuals were named in the indictments:

- Jonathan Harper, 27, Louisville, Kentucky;
- Derwin Julien, 25. Louisville;
- Daniel Nantz, 29, Woodbine, Kentucky;
- Lawrence Collinsworth, 36, Gray, Kentucky;
- Cortez Evans, 27, Louisville;
- Tasha Wernicke, 36, Corbin, Kentucky;
- Jordan Britt, 29, Louisville;
- Scott Hensley, 37, Corbin;
- Amy Mosley, 41, Bernstadt, Kentucky;
- Lindsey Rose, 30, Williamsburg, Kentucky;
- Darryl Moore, 46, Corbin;
- Thorold Johnson, 27, Corbin;
- Bobby Hamilton, 38, Pineville, Kentucky;
- Rickie Eubanks, 41, Corbin;
- Charles Warfield, 50, Artemus, Kentucky;
- Eddie Hoskins, 39, Corbin;
- David Lowe, 37, Gray;
- Justin Collins, 30, Corbin; and
- Ralph Jones, 56, Barbourville, Kentucky.

The indictments stem from a nine-month investigation by the ATF, into methamphetamine and firearms trafficking. According to the indictments, the defendants engaged in a conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine in and around Laurel, Knox, and Whitley Counties. The indictments further allege that defendants trafficked firearms, used firearms during their drug trafficking transactions, and illegally possessed firearms.

The charged individuals are each awaiting their initial appearance in federal court.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky, and Stuart Lowrey, Special Agent in Charge ATF, jointly made the announcement.

The investigation was conducted by the ATF, with substantial assistance from the Corbin Police Department, Knox County Sheriff's Department, and Kentucky State Police. The United States is represented by Assistant United States Attorney Jenna E. Reed.

An indictment by a grand jury is an accusation only, and individuals charged in an indictment are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.