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Seven Indicted for Oxycodone-Related Charges

United States Attorney Gregory J. Haanstad for the Eastern District of Wisconsin announced that on February 7, 2017, a federal grand jury returned an eight-count indictment against six individuals involved in distributing Oxycodone. The indictment named Lance Bruette (age: 34) of Minocqua, Orvin Kay (age: 57) of Milwaukee, Frank Lawrence (age: 38) of Saint Germain, Mitchell Plantikow (age: 29) of Woodruff, Troy Plantikow (age 52) of Woodruff, and Lacey Stanick (age 31) of Woodruff as the defendants. In a related matter, on February 28, 2017, a federal grand jury returned a three-count indictment against Lee Hueckstaedt (age: 31) of Rhinelander for possessing Oxycodone with the intent to distribute it.

In the matter indicted on February 7, 2017, all six defendants are charged in Count One of the Indictment with Conspiracy to Distribute Oxycodone in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 846. Counts Two, Four, and Six charge that on various dates in late 2016 and early 2017 Orvin Kay distributed Oxycodone in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1). Counts Three, Five, and Seven charge that on those same dates Lance Bruette possessed Oxycodone with the intent to distribute it in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1). Finally, Count Eight charges that on February 2, 2017, Orvin Kay possessed Oxycodone with an intent to distribute it in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1).

According to the Criminal Complaint filed against Orvin Kay, certain members of the conspiracy who resided in Northern Wisconsin would drive to Milwaukee and pick up hundreds of Oxycodone pills per week from Orvin Kay. They would then distribute those Oxycodone pills to individual users, as well as co-conspirators who would sell the pills to other individuals. The maximum penalty for all of the charges is 20 years in prison and a \$1,000,000 fine.

In the matter indicted on February 28, 2017, Lee Hueckstaedt was charged with possessing Oxycodone with the intent to distribute it on various dates in late 2016 in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1). According to the Criminal Complaint against Lee Hueckstaedt, he is a large-scale Oxycodone dealer in the Eagle River/Rhinelander area. The Criminal Complaint alleges that on the dates charged, Hueckstaedt drove to Milwaukee and picked up hundreds of Oxycodone pills from Orvin Kay. The maximum penalty for all of the charges is 20 years in prison and a \$1,000,000 fine.

The following agencies are participating in the investigation: the Oneida County Sheriff's Office; the Vilas County Sheriff's Office; the Wisconsin Department of Justice - Division of Criminal Investigation; the Drug Enforcement Administration – Milwaukee (Tactical Diversion Squad); the Minocqua Police Department; the Rhinelander Police Department. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Zachary J. Corey and Benjamin Wesson.

Allegations contained in an indictment or a criminal complaint are only charges and are not evidence of guilt. The defendants are presumed innocent and are entitled to a fair trial at which the government must prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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