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THREE INDIVIDUALS INDICTED BY FEDERAL GRAND JURY WITH CONSPIRACY TO EXCEED AUTHORIZED ACCESS OF A GOVERNMENT COMPUTER

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

TODD KELLY, age 39, a resident of Traverse City, Michigan, **VICKY MUNN**, age 41, a resident of New Orleans, Louisiana,; and **CHARLES E. BARNETT, JR.**, age 47, a resident of Covington, Louisiana, were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury in New Orleans for one-count of conspiracy to exceed authorized access of a government computer, announced U. S. Attorney Jim Letten.

According to the indictment, from January, 2003 until May, 2004, **VICKY MUNN**, a non-lawyer supervisor in the worthless checks division of the St. Tammany Parish District Attorney's office in Covington, used her work computer to generate NCIC criminal histories. It is further alleged that **MUNN** sold the criminal history reports to **TODD KELLY**, who operated the investigative firm The Barnett Group of New Orleans, and to **CHARLES E. BARNETT, JR.**, who operated a separate entity known as the Barnett Group-Product Liability.

If convicted, the defendants face a maximum penalty of five (5) years imprisonment, a $250,000 fine, or both, along with three (3) years of supervised release and a $100 special assessment fee.

The Department of Justice reminds the press and the public that and indictment is a formal accusation and that the defendant must therefore be presumed innocent of all counts until adjudicated guilty based upon proof beyond a reasonable doubt.

This investigation is being conducted by the Special Agents with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney, Michael E. McMahon.

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