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FBI AGENT CHARGED WITH MAKING FALSE STATEMENTS REGARDING MISSING DRUG MONIES

PRESS RELEASE

INDIANAPOLIS - United States Attorney Joseph H. Hogsett of the Southern District of Indiana announced that Jerry W. Nau, 44, Peoria, was charged and plead guilty today in United States District Court in Urbana, Illinois, before Judge James Shadid, with making and using a false document. According to the charging Information, Nau, an FBI special agent, prepared a false evidence receipt form on June 30, 2010 in which he stated that over \$43,000 of money seized from a drug dealer had been recounted and placed into evidence. The next day, July 1, 2010, Nau faxed the form to his FBI supervisor in Springfield. The form purported to be verified by two other law enforcement officers. In fact, the money was not placed into evidence on June 30, 2010; it has never been found, and Nau forged the signatures of the two other law enforcement officers.

Because Nau's FBI investigations were historically prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office in Peoria, that office was recused and the United States Department of Justice assigned this case to the United States Attorney in Indianapolis. The United States Attorney appointed one of his assistants, James M. Warden, to prosecute the case as a Special Attorney to the Attorney General of the United States.

Nau faces up to five years in prison, a fine of up to \$250,000, and supervised release following imprisonment for up to three years.

The investigation resulting in these charges was conducted by the Department of Justice, Office of the Inspector General, Chicago Office.

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