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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that a federal grand jury sitting in Madison returned an indictment today charging John Kowal, 22, Madison, Wis., with bank robbery of the Anchor Bank in Madison on September 16, 2008. If convicted, Kowal faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison.

The charge against Kowal is the result of an investigation conducted by the Madison Police Department. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney David J. Reinhard.

You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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