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**TEN DEFENDANTS INDICTED BY GRAND JURY IN
COCAINE TRAFFICKING CONSPIRACY CASE;
NINE ARRAIGNED AND ONE AT LARGE**

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SAN LUIS OBISPO, CA – Ten defendants were indicted by a criminal grand jury in San Luis Obispo on August 19th, 2015, in connection with a cocaine trafficking ring. Seven of the defendants were previously charged by criminal complaint based on the same conduct. That complaint was dismissed today on the motion of the District Attorney because the complaint was superseded by the filing of the Indictment. The individuals indicted are:

CHASE MICHAEL HANSON, DOB: 07/27/1990	JASON VIDAL SIANEZ, DOB: 04/25/1988
DANE JAMES BENNETT, DOB: 06/04/1989	ALEXANDER ALLAN MATARESE, DOB: 01/02/1984
JONATHAN DAVID BYHAM, DOB: 08/24/1989	JOSEPH ARCH MESSINEO, DOB: 03/10/1976
ALEXANDER JOHN GETZBOUCHILLON, DOB: 04/18/1992	JOHNNIE JAMES MEDINA, JR, DOB: 03/19/1988
SAWYER SCOTT SACKETT, DOB: 08/30/1996	ZACHARY BENJAMIN SILVER, DOB: 06/23/1987

The Indictment alleges conspiracy to sell or transport cocaine and possess cocaine for sale; two counts of transportation or sale of cocaine; two counts of possession of a firearm by a felon (Chase Hanson and Dane Bennett); five counts of possession of cocaine for sale by individual defendants; a prior prison term enhancement (Chase Hanson); and enhancements for quantities of cocaine that exceeded 4 kilograms by weight.

Messineo, Medina, and Silver were not originally charged in the criminal complaint. Zachary Benjamin Silver is currently at-large and a \$1 million arrest warrant has been issued for his arrest. The nine remaining defendants are in-custody at the county jail with bail set at \$1 million. The case is set for Pre-Trial Conference on 9/28/2015 in Dept. 9 before the Hon. Judge Roger Picquet.

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