



OFFICE OF PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

DWIGHT K. SCROGGINS, JR., PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

411 JULES, ROOM 132

BUCHANAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE
ST. JOSEPH, MISSOURI 64501

WEBSITE: www.yourbcpa.org

CRIMINAL DIVISION
(816) 271-1430
CHILD SUPPORT DIVISION
(816) 271-1492
FAX: (816) 271-1521

Mission Statement: To Accomplish the Most Caring and Effective use of Finite Resources Upon an Infinite Problem.

ASSISTANTS

RONALD R. HOLLIDAY, First Assistant
LAURA B. DONALDSON
REBECCA J. THOMAS
PAMELA K. BLEVINS
KATE H. SCHAEFER
KRISTINA S. ZEIT
ROBERT L. REINHARDT
ROBERT E. SAULS

August 19, 2009

SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR BILL FISHER

PARALEGALS &
VICTIM/WITNESS SERVICES
DEBBIE WELLS
JAYNE McBRAYER
CATHY GRIMSINGER
NANNA ROSE
MORGAN HANSEN

PRESS RELEASE

Prosecuting Attorney Dwight K. Scroggins, Jr., announced that \$23,178 in United States currency has been forfeited to the State of Missouri School Building Revolving Fund through a Criminal Activity Forfeiture Act (CAFA) petition brought by the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney. Following a trial on August 12, 2009, the Honorable Randall R. Jackson ordered the currency turned over to the school fund. The Court entered its formal Judgment of Forfeiture under Criminal Activities Forfeiture Act on August 17, 2009.

The currency was seized following the execution of a search warrant at 2118 Jules Street in St. Joseph on August 5, 2008. Also seized from the residence were digital scales, multiple firearms and large quantities of crack and powder cocaine. Multiple individuals were arrested, prosecuted and convicted for felony drug offenses as a result of the evidence obtained. Officers from the Buchanan County Sheriff's office, the Buchanan County Drug Strike Force and the St. Joseph Police Department assisted in the investigation and arrests of the suspects involved.

Under Missouri law, CAFA allows for the forfeiture of property derived from or realized through criminal activity, particularly drug trafficking and sales.

"This is exactly the type case for which CAFA is intended. We removed drugs and guns from the streets and sent the forfeited money to the School District. It's a win, win situation," said Prosecuting Attorney Dwight Scroggins. The case was prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Robert Reinhardt.

Dwight Scroggins
Prosecuting Attorney