

Feds: KCK slots used to launder money from drug sales

Five face charges tied to conspiracy to distribute drugs, launder money

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Federal indictments have been returned against five Johnson County residents accused of drug trafficking and laundering more than \$200,000 in marijuana sales through slot machines at the Hollywood Casino in Kansas City, Kan.

The office of U.S. Attorney for Kansas Barry Grissom said Wednesday that investigations **showed some members of the group would deposit large sums of money in small denominations into casino slots, cash out without playing and receive a voucher for the money deposited, then cash the voucher at ATM machines throughout the casino, getting their cash back in large denominations.**

Investigators with the Kansas Racing and Gambling Commission spotted the activity and asked the Kansas Bureau of Investigation to become involved, Grissom's office said in a news release.

Undercover investigators began making marijuana purchases from members of the group starting this past January, Grissom said. One of the traffickers later showed an investigator the slot machine money-laundering trick using \$18,000 in KBI evidence-buying funds.

Charged in the 12-count indictment were:

- Gregory Rapp, 30, of Gardner, one count of conspiracy to distribute marijuana, one count of conspiracy to commit money laundering and 10 counts of money laundering.
- Christopher Anderson, 30, of Olathe, one count of conspiracy to commit money laundering and five counts of money laundering.

- Jeffrey Selectman, 29, of Shawnee, one count of conspiracy to distribute marijuana.
- Denise Hurla, 50, of Gardner, one count of conspiracy to distribute marijuana.
- Kenneth Stewart, 33, of Olathe, one count of conspiracy to commit money laundering and one count of money laundering.

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