

Bodyguards of Rap Artist Gucci Mane Indicted

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Bodyguards for the hip-hop rap artist known as "Gucci Mane," have been indicted by a federal grand jury in Miami on firearms charges.

R. Alexander Acosta, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida, Julie Torres, Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, and John Timoney, Chief, City of Miami Police Department, announced today that defendant, Derrick Robinson, a/k/a "Avery Hines", and Marlon Rowe were named today in the indictments.

The Indictment charges Hines and Rowe with illegally possessing firearms after having been convicted of felonies and while working for a known convicted felon.

Specifically, Counts 1 - 3 of the Indictment charge Hines and Rowe, who are both previously convicted felons, with possessing a .45 caliber Glock pistol, a .40 caliber Glock pistol, and a .223 caliber Bushmaster pistol, in violation of the provisions of the Gun Control Act of 1968, Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1).

Counts 4 and 5 of the Indictment charge Hines and Rowe with possessing firearms while employed as bodyguards for a person whom they knew was a convicted felon (rap artist Gucci Mane), in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(h).

Counts 1 through 5 each carry a statutory maximum penalty of up to ten (10) years' imprisonment. The defendants also face fines of up to \$250,000 if convicted.

This Indictment stems from the July 16, 2005, arrest of hip-hop rap artist Radric Davis, known in the entertainment industry as "Gucci Mane," on a warrant issued out of Atlanta, Georgia, for aggravated assault. Gucci Mane, a convicted felon, is also facing pending felony murder charges out of DeKalb County, Georgia. At the time of his arrest by City of Miami Police Officers, Davis was scheduled to perform at a Miami area club. Gucci Mane was accompanied by several armed bodyguards, including Hines and Rowe. Hines and Rowe were arrested after ATF Agents confirmed that the two men were convicted felons and that Gucci Mane, for whom they were working at the time, was also a convicted felon.

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