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## **Brookings Man Charged with Counterfeit U.S. Currency Fraud**

SIOUX FALLS - United States Attorney Alison J. Ramsdell announced that a federal grand jury has indicted a Brookings, South Dakota, man for two counts of Making Counterfeit U.S. Currency and two counts of Passing Counterfeit U.S. Currency.

Julian Huffman, age 27, was indicted in December of 2022. He appeared before U.S. Magistrate Judge Veronica L. Duffy on December 8, 2022, and pleaded not guilty to the Indictment.

The maximum penalty upon conviction is up to 20 years in federal prison and/or a \$250,000 fine, three years of supervised release, and up to \$400 to the Federal Crime Victims Fund. Restitution may also be ordered.

The Indictment alleges that between on or about September 9, 2022, and November 21, 2022, Huffman falsely made, forged, and counterfeited five counterfeit \$20.00 Federal Reserve Notes.

The Indictment also alleges that on or about November 17, 2022, and November 20, 2022, Huffman passed and uttered, and attempted to pass and utter, five counterfeit \$20.00 Federal Reserve Notes which Huffman knew to be falsely made, forged, and counterfeited.

The charges are merely accusations and Huffman is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

The investigation is being conducted by the U.S. Secret Service, the Brookings Police Department, and the Brookings County Sheriff's Office. Assistant U.S. Attorney Ann M. Hoffman is prosecuting the case.

Huffman was remanded to the custody of the U.S. Marshals Service pending trial. A trial date has not been set.