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ATTORNEY GENERAL RAOUL CHARGES DANVILLE MAN WHO ALLEGEDLY LIED ON FOID CARD APPLICATION

Chicago — Attorney General Kwame Raoul today filed criminal charges in Vermilion County Circuit Court against a man who allegedly falsified information on the FOID card application he submitted to the Illinois State Police (ISP).

Attorney General Raoul charged Kareem Kalimullah, 36, of Danville with two counts of the unlawful violation of the FOID Card Act, Class 2 felonies punishable by up to three to seven years in prison, and two counts of forgery, Class 3 felonies punishable by up to two to five years in prison. Kalimullah pleaded not guilty. His bail was set at \$50,000, and he will next appear in court March 1.

“Preventing gun violence around Illinois means holding accountable individuals who abuse the system to purchase guns they are prohibited from owning through legal means,” Raoul said. “I am committed to holding accountable individuals who lie on their firearm owner’s identification card application in order to illegally obtain firearms.”

Raoul’s indictment alleges Kalimullah knowingly entered false information on a FOID card application by failing to disclose a prior felony conviction. Kallimullah was previously convicted of burglary charges, the manufacture and delivery of cannabis, and for obstructing justice. Illinois law prohibits individuals who have been convicted of a felony from being eligible for FOID cards.

“The Illinois State Police will use every tool at our disposal to keep illegal firearms away from criminals and we appreciate the support of the Attorney General in our enforcement of the law,” stated ISP Director Brendan F. Kelly.

The public is reminded the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Assistant Attorneys General Steven Knight and Peter Ravoori are prosecuting the case for Raoul’s Statewide Grand Jury Bureau.