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'Grateful Dead' Leader Faces Drug Hearing

Jerome J. "Jerry" Garcia, the 30-year-old lead guitarist of the "Grateful Dead" rock group, faces a May hearing on charges of possessing a variety of drugs.

A spokesman in the Burlington County, N.J. prosecutor's office said yesterday Garcia was released in \$2,000 bail shortly after his arrest Tuesday evening.

Mount Laurel Municipal Court Judge Ernest Sever set a hearing for May 29.

Garcia was charged with possessing various quantities of LSD, cocaine, marijuana and other drugs, the spokesman said.

Garcia and The Grateful Dead are scheduled to perform here tomorrow at 7 p.m. in the War Memorial.