

SUPERIOR COURT OF N.J.

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LAW DIVISION - CRIMINAL

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FEB 05 2007

State Grand Jury  
Number SGJ536-07-5  
Superior Court  
Docket Number 07-02-00013-5

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY )

v. )

PAUL SARRIS )

ACHILLES G. AMANTE )  
also known as )  
BUTZ AMANTE )

ARISTIDES M. AMANTE )

AMORITO A. AMANTE )  
also known as )  
ANGELO AMANTE )

ALOYSIUS M. AMANTE )

and )

MATILDA AMANTE RAMOS )

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Acting Clerk

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Clerk

ORDER OF VENUE

An Indictment having been returned to this Court by the State Grand Jury in the above captioned matter,

IT IS ORDERED on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2007, pursuant to paragraph 8 of the State Grand Jury Act, that the County of Mercer be and hereby is designated as the County of venue for the purpose of trial.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Superior Court shall transmit forthwith the Indictment in this matter and a certified copy of this Order to the Criminal Division Manager of the County of Mercer or filing.

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Linda R. Feinberg, A.J.S.C.

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INDICTMENT

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The Grand Jurors of and for the State of New Jersey, upon  
their oaths, present that:

COUNT ONE

(Conspiracy - First Degree)

PAUL SARRIS

ACHILLES G. AMANTE

ARISTIDES M. AMANTE

AMORITO A. AMANTE

ALOYSIUS M. AMANTE

and

MATILDA AMANTE RAMOS

between on or about August 2, 2001 and on or about September 17, 2003, at the City of Jersey City, in the County of Hudson, at the City of Trenton, in the County of Mercer, elsewhere, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, with the purpose of promoting and facilitating the commission of the crimes of Money Laundering and Theft by Deception, did conspire, confederate, and agree together that:

A. One or more of them would purposely engage in the conduct which would constitute the aforesaid crimes, and

B. One or more of them would aid in the planning and commission of the aforesaid crime, that is:

1. Money Laundering, in that one or more of them would engage in a transaction involving property, in an aggregate amount of \$500,000 or more, known or which a reasonable person would believe to be derived from criminal activity, knowing that the transaction was designed in whole or in part to conceal or disguise the nature, location, source, ownership or control of the property derived from criminal activity, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:21-25(b)(2)(a).

2. Theft by Deception, in that one or more of them would purposely obtain the property of the State of New Jersey by

deception, by creating or reinforcing a false impression that certain taxpayers, all individuals whose identities are known to the Grand Jurors, were entitled to reimbursement of the New Jersey Homestead Property Tax, in an aggregate amount of \$75,000 or more, from the New Jersey Department of the Treasury, Division of Taxation, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:20-4a.

All in violation of the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:5-2, and against the peace of this State, the government and dignity of the same.

COUNT TWO

(Money Laundering - First Degree)

PAUL SARRIS

ACHILLES G. AMANTE

ARISTIDES AMANTE

AMORITO A. AMANTE

ALOYSIUS M. AMANTE

and

MATILDA AMANTE RAMOS

between on or about August 2, 2001 and on or about September 17, 2003, at the City of Jersey City, in the County of Hudson, at the City of Trenton, in the County of Mercer, elsewhere, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, did engage in a transaction involving property, in an aggregate amount of \$500,000 or more, known or which a reasonable person would believe to be derived from criminal activity, knowing that the transaction was designed in whole or in part to conceal or disguise the nature, location, source, ownership or control of the property derived from criminal activity, that is the said PAUL SARRIS, doing business as Sarris Financial Services, ACHILLES G. AMANTE, doing business as Amante Tax Service, ARISTIDES AMANTE, doing business as Aries Financial Services, Inc., AMORITO A. AMANTE, doing business as Palisade Business Center, Inc., ALOYSIUS M. AMANTE, doing business as Westside Business Center, Inc., and MATILDA AMANTE RAMOS, doing business as A & Z Travel and Tours, did engage in

the transactions of depositing New Jersey Homestead Rebate Checks into, and cash and check withdrawals from, the company bank accounts of Sarris Financial Services, Amante Tax Service, Aries Financial Services, Inc., Palisade Business Center, Inc., Westside Business Center, Inc., and A & Z Travel and Tours, involving an aggregate amount of \$500,000 or more, known to be derived from criminal activity, knowing that the transactions were designed in whole or in part to conceal the location, ownership and control of the property which they knew to be derived from criminal activity, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:21-25(b)(2)(a), N.J.S.A. 2C:21-27, N.J.S.A. 2C:2-6 and N.J.S.A. 2C:2-7, and against the peace of this State, the government and dignity of the same.

COUNT THREE

(Theft by Deception - Second Degree)

PAUL SARRIS

ACHILLES G. AMANTE

ARISTIDES AMANTE

AMORITO A. AMANTE

ALOYSIUS M. AMANTE

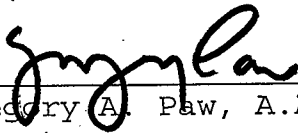
and

MATILDA AMANTE RAMOS

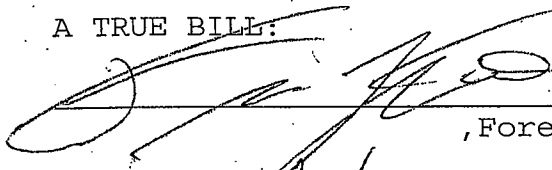
between on or about August 2, 2001 and on or about September 17, 2003, at the City of Jersey City, in the County of Hudson, at the City of Trenton, in the County of Mercer, elsewhere, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, did purposely obtain property of another in an aggregate amount of \$75,000 or more, by deception, that is, the said PAUL SARRIS doing business as Sarris Financial Services, ACHILLES G. AMANTE, doing business as Amante Tax Service, ARISTIDES AMANTE, doing business as Aries Financial Services, Inc., AMORITO A. AMANTE, doing business as Palisades Business Center, Inc., ALOYSIUS M. AMANTE, doing business as Westside Business Center, Inc., and MATILDA AMANTE RAMOS, doing business as A & Z TRAVEL AND TOURS, did obtain reimbursements of the New Jersey Homestead Property Tax, in an aggregate amount of \$75,000 or more, from the New Jersey Department of the Treasury, Division of Taxation, by creating or reinforcing a false

impression that certain taxpayers, all individuals whose identities are known to the Grand Jurors, were entitled to said tax reimbursements,

WHEREAS IN TRUTH AND IN FACT, as the said PAUL SARRIS, ACHILLES G. AMANTE, ARISTIDES M. AMANTE, AMORITO A. AMANTE, ALOYSIUS M. AMANTE, and MATILDA AMANTE RAMOS well knew, none of the said taxpayers was eligible and entitled to said tax reimbursements, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:20-4a, N.J.S.A. 2C:20-2b(4), N.J.S.A. 2C:2-6, and N.J.S.A. 2C:2-7, and against the peace of this State, the government and dignity of the same.

  
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Gregory A. Paw, A.A.G.  
Director  
Division of Criminal Justice

A TRUE BILL:

  
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, Foreperson

Dated: 2/5/07