

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION - CRIMINAL

State Grand Jury
Number SGJ595-10-2
Superior Court
Docket Number 10-10-00144-S

STATE OF NEW JERSEY)	
v.)	INDICTMENT
MARVIN LAWS)	

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

COUNT ONE

(Official Misconduct - Second Degree)

MARVIN LAWS

and other persons whose identities are both known and unknown to the Grand Jurors, who are named as coconspirators but not as defendants herein, between in or about August 2003 and in or about May 2008, at the City of Atlantic City, in the County of Atlantic, elsewhere, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, did commit the offense of Official Misconduct, in that the said MARVIN LAWS, a public servant, acting with the purpose to obtain a benefit for himself or another, or to injure or deprive another of a benefit in excess of \$200, did commit acts relating to his office, constituting unauthorized exercises of his official

functions, knowing that such acts were unauthorized or that he was committing them in an unauthorized manner, and the said MARVIN LAWS then and there being a public servant, to wit: Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Benefits Manager for Atlantic Human Resources, a sub-grantee of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs ("NJDCA"), having been charged with official functions and duties, among others, to assist applicants with completing their NJDCA HEA Program applications, to ensure the documentation required for completing HEA Program applications is correct, to accurately enter HEA Program application data into the NJDCA system, to perform his duties in a legal and proper manner, to display good faith, honesty and integrity, and to be impervious to corrupting influences, did knowingly enter or submit or aid or solicit others to enter or submit false information regarding his personal or financial circumstances to unlawfully qualify for and obtain HEA financial assistance, with the purpose to secure a benefit for himself in excess of \$200, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:30-2, N.J.S.A. 2C:5-2, and N.J.S.A. 2C:2-6, and against the peace of this State, the government and dignity of same.

COUNT TWO

(Theft By Deception - Third Degree)

MARVIN LAWS

between in or about August 2003 and in or about May 2008, at the City of Atlantic City, in the County of Atlantic, elsewhere, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, purposely did obtain from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs ("NJDCA") property, that is, Home Energy Assistance benefits, having a value of approximately \$9,062, by deception, by creating or reinforcing false impressions on one or more applications submitted to the NJDCA, to wit: submitting or entering false information regarding his personal or financial circumstances to unlawfully qualify for and obtain HEA financial assistance, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:20-4, N.J.S.A. 2C:5-2, and N.J.S.A. 2C:2-6, and against the peace of this State, the government and dignity of same.

COUNT THREE

(Misapplication of Entrusted Property and Property of Government
- Third Degree)

MARVIN LAWS

between in or about August 2003 and in or about May 2008, at the City of Atlantic City, in the County of Atlantic, elsewhere, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, knowingly did apply or dispose of property, belonging to the government, to wit: approximately \$9,062 in funds from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Home Energy Assistance Program, in a manner which the said MARVIN LAWS knew was unlawful and involved substantial risk of loss or detriment to the owner of the property, thereby deriving a benefit of over \$1,000, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:21-15, N.J.S.A. 2C:5-2, and N.J.S.A. 2C:2-6, and against the peace of this State, the government and dignity of same.

COUNT FOUR

(Tampering With Public Records or Information - Third Degree)

MARVIN LAWS

between in or about August 2003 and in or about May 2008, at the City of Atlantic City, in the County of Atlantic, elsewhere, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, with purpose to defraud or injure, did knowingly make a false entry in a record, document or thing belonging to, received or kept by, the government for information or record, or required by law to be kept by others for information of the government, that is, made false entries in one or more applications for financial assistance submitted to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Home Energy Assistance Program, knowing the entries to be false, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:28-7(a)(1), N.J.S.A. 2C:5-2, and N.J.S.A. 2C:2-6, and against the peace of this State, the government and dignity of same.

COUNT FIVE

(Falsifying Records - Fourth Degree)

MARVIN LAWS

between in or about August 2003 and in or about May 2008, at the City of Atlantic City, in the County of Atlantic, elsewhere, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, with purpose to deceive or injure another or to conceal a wrongdoing, did utter a writing or record, that is, one or more applications for financial assistance submitted to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Home Energy Assistance Program, knowing it to contain a false statement or information, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:21-4(a), N.J.S.A. 2C:5-2, and N.J.S.A. 2C:2-6, and against the peace of this State, the government and dignity of same.

Stephen J. Taylor Director Division of Chiminal Justice

A TRUE BILL:

Foreperson

Dated: 10 - 8 - 10



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STATE OF NEW JERSEY)
v.	ORDER OF VENUE
MARVIN LAWS)

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

IT IS ORDERED on this & & day of County, 2010, pursuant to paragraph 8 of the State Grand Jury Act, that the County of Atlantic 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 Atlantic for filing.

Linda R. Feinberg, Ad.S.C.