

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	DATE FILED: August 7, 2008
v.	:	CRIMINAL NO.
RONALD MCBETH	:	VIOLATION:
	:	18 U.S.C. § 924(a)(1)(A) (making a false statement to a federal firearms licensee – 1 count)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 2 (aiding and abetting) Notice of Forfeiture

INFORMATION

COUNT ONE

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES THAT:

At all times material to this information:

1. The Clayton's Hunting and Fishing, 600 Easton Road, Horsham, Pennsylvania, possessed a federal firearms license ("FFL") and was authorized to deal in firearms under federal laws.
2. FFL holders are licensed, among other things, to sell firearms and ammunition. Various rules and regulations, promulgated under the authority of Chapter 44, Title 18, United States Code, govern the manner in which FFL holders are permitted to sell firearms and ammunition.
3. The rules and regulations governing FFL holders require that a person seeking to purchase a handgun fill out a Firearms Transaction Record, ATF Form 4473. Part of the Form 4473 requires that the prospective purchaser certify that all his or her answers on Form

4473 are true and correct. The Form 4473 requires the purchaser to answer questions about the purchase, including a question, “Are you the actual buyer of the firearm(s) listed on this form? Warning: You are not the actual buyer if you are acquiring the firearm(s) on behalf of another person.” The Form 4473 also contains a warning that falsely answering yes to that question and falsely claiming to be the actual buyer of the firearm(s) is a crime punishable as a felony.

4. FFL holders are required to maintain a record, in the form of a completed Form 4473, of the identity of the actual buyer of firearms sold by the FFL holder, including the buyer’s home address and date of birth to ensure that the person was not prohibited from purchasing a firearm.

5. FFL holders were required to maintain a record, in the form of a completed Form 4473, of the identity of the actual buyer of firearms sold by the FFL holder, to ensure that the person was not prohibited from purchasing a firearm.

6. On or about April 28, 2008, in Horsham, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

RONALD MCBETH,

in connection with the acquisition of a firearm, that is, a Charter Arms, .38 special revolver, model undercover, serial number 75952, knowingly made a false statement and representation with respect to information required by the provisions of Chapter 44, Title 18, United States Code, to be kept in Clayton’s Hunting and Fishing’s records, in that defendant **MCBETH** certified on the Form 4473 that he was the actual buyer of the firearm, when in fact, as he well knew, this statement was false and fictitious.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(a)(1)(A) and 2.

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

As a result of the violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(A)(1)(a),
set forth in Count One of this information, defendant

RONALD MCBETH

shall forfeit to the United States of America the firearm involved in the commission of this
offense, including, but not limited to:

1. a Charter Arms .38 special revolver, model undercover, serial number 75952; and
2. a H & R .32 revolver, model 732, serial number AM88787.

All pursuant to Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), and Title 18,
United States Code, Section 924(d).

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