

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

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA** : **CRIMINAL NO. 12 - 21**  
**v.** : **DATE FILED: January 19, 2012**  
**RONALD MIKO** : **VIOLATIONS: 18 U.S.C. § 1510**  
 : **(Obstruction of a criminal investigation –**  
 : **1 Count)**  
 : **18 U.S.C. § 2 (Aiding and abetting)**

**INDICTMENT**

**COUNT ONE**

**THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:**

At all times material to this indictment:

1. Defendant RONALD MIKO was a sworn police officer in the City of Reading in Berks County, Pennsylvania.
2. Paul Sewell, a person who is charged elsewhere, and Michael Johnson, a person who is also charged elsewhere, were participants in a venture that ran a prostitution ring known as “cashmoneybrothersescorts.com” (hereinafter, “the Venture”) in and around Reading, Pennsylvania.
3. As part of the Venture, defendant Paul Sewell recruited young females to work as prostitutes in his business. Several of the females whom he recruited and who worked for him were under the age of 18 years.
4. As part of the Venture, defendant Paul Sewell invited some females who worked for him to reside at, and invited customers to engage in sexual acts with females at:

(a) Paul Sewell's residence, located at 214 North 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Reading, Pennsylvania; and (b) an adjacent property owned by Paul Sewell at 209 Fisher Court, Reading, Pennsylvania (collectively, "the Premises").

5. In or about 2007, when Paul Sewell established the prostitution business, defendant RONALD MIKO advised him on how to set up the business.

6. Between in or about 2007 until on or about July 28, 2010, defendant RONALD MIKO offered advice to Paul Sewell about the females whom Sewell employed, knowing that they were employed as prostitutes.

7. Between in or about 2005 and on or about July 28, 2010, defendant RONALD MIKO utilized a room within the Premises in which he conducted assignments with women (who were not part of the prostitution business).

8. Between in or about 2005 and on or about July 28, 2010, defendant RONALD MIKO visited the Premises as often as several times each week, sometimes in his police uniform and driving his police vehicle.

9. On or about November 4, 2010, Paul Sewell and Michael Johnson were charged by a grand jury with federal offenses relating to their operation of the Venture.

10. After Paul Sewell and Michael Johnson were charged with criminal violations for running the Venture, defendant RONALD MIKO endeavored to persuade Michael Johnson not to convey any information about MIKO's affiliation with the Venture by wiring, and causing to be wired, money to Michael Johnson's prison account at the Federal Detention Center in Philadelphia.

11. From on or about May 2, 2011 to on or about June 7, 2011, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and elsewhere, defendant

**RONALD MIKO**

willfully endeavored, by means of bribery, to obstruct, delay, and prevent the communication of information relating to violations committed by himself of criminal statutes of the United States to a criminal investigator, and aided and abetted the same, by wiring and causing to wired money to Michael Johnson's prison account at the Federal Detention Center.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1510 and 2.

**A TRUE BILL:**

  
**ZANE DAVID MEMEGER**  
**UNITED STATES ATTORNEY**

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**GRAND JURY FOREPERSON**