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9	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	NO. CR20-174 JCC				
10	Plaintiff,					
11	V.	INDICTMENT				
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13	ERIC SHIBLEY,					
14	Defendant.					
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16	The Grand Jury charges that:					
17	The Paycheck Prote	ction Program				
18	1. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and	Economic Security ("CARES") Act was				
19	a federal law enacted in or around March 2020	and designed to provide emergency				
20	financial assistance to the millions of American	s suffering the economic effects caused				
21	by the COVID-19 pandemic. One source of rel	ief provided by the CARES Act was the				
22	authorization of up to \$349 billion in forgivable	loans to small businesses for job				
23	retention and certain other expenses, through a	program referred to as the Paycheck				
24	Protection Program ("PPP"). In or around Apri	1 2020, Congress authorized over \$300				
25	billion in additional PPP funding.					
26		alifying business was required to submit				
27	a PPP loan application signed by an authorized					
28	loan application required the business (through	its authorized representative) to				
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700 Stewart Street, Ste 5220 Seattle, Washington 98101 (206) 553-7970 acknowledge the program rules and make certain affirmative certifications in order to be
eligible to obtain the PPP loan. In the PPP loan application, the small business (through
its authorized representative) was required to state, among other things, its: (a) average
monthly payroll expenses; and (b) number of employees. These figures were used to
calculate the amount of money the small business was eligible to receive under the PPP.
In addition, businesses applying for a PPP loan were required to provide documentation
showing their payroll expenses.

8 3. PPP loan applications were processed by a participating lender. If a PPP
9 loan application was approved, the participating lender funded the PPP loan using its own
10 monies, which were 100% guaranteed by the U.S. Small Business Administration
11 ("SBA"). Data from the application, including information about the borrower, the total
12 amount of the loan, and the listed number of employees, was transmitted by the lender to
13 the SBA in the course of processing the loan.

4. PPP loan proceeds were required to be used by the business on certain
permissible expenses—payroll costs, interest on mortgages, rent, and utilities. The PPP
allowed the interest and principal on the PPP loan to be entirely forgiven if the business
spent the loan proceeds on the allowable expenses within a designated period of time and
used a certain percentage of the PPP loan proceeds on payroll expenses.

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The Economic Injury Disaster Relief Program

5. The Economic Injury Disaster Loan ("EIDL") program was an SBA
program that provided low-interest financing to small businesses, renters, and
homeowners in regions affected by declared disasters.

6. The CARES Act authorized the SBA to provide EIDLs of up to \$2 million
to eligible small businesses experiencing substantial financial disruption due to the
COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, the CARES Act authorized the SBA to issue advances
of up to \$10,000 to small businesses within three days of applying for an EIDL. The
amount of the advance was determined by the number of employees the applicant
certified having. The advances did not have to be repaid.

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7. In order to obtain an EIDL and advance, a qualifying business had to
 submit an application to the SBA and provide information about its operations, such as
 the number of employees, gross revenues for the 12-month period preceding the disaster,
 and cost of goods sold in the 12-month period preceding the disaster. In the case of
 EIDLs for COVID-19 relief, the 12-month period was that preceding January 31, 2020.
 The applicant also had to certify that all of the information in the application was true and
 correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge.

EIDL applications were submitted directly to the SBA. The amount of the 8 8. loan, if the application was approved, was determined based, in part, on the information 9 provided by the applicant about employment, revenue, and cost of goods, as described 10 above. Any funds issued under an EIDL or advance were issued directly by the SBA. 11 EIDL funds could be used for payroll expenses, sick leave, production costs, and business 12 obligations, such as debts, rent, and mortgage payments. If the applicant also obtained a 13 loan under the PPP, the EIDL funds could not be used for the same purpose as the PPP 14 15 funds.

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Relevant Individuals

Defendant ERIC SHIBLEY was a medical doctor residing in Seattle,
 Washington. On or about December 13, 2018, SHIBLEY pled guilty to a Violation of a
 No Contact Order, a criminal misdemeanor under Washington State law. SHIBLEY's
 sentence included two years' probation expiring on or about December 13, 2020.

10. Individual 1 was a resident of Seattle, Washington. On or about October
22, 2019, Individual 1 was charged in Washington State on state felony drug charges.
Individual 1 was arrested on or about April 21, 2020, for failing to appear in the pending
case that resulted from the October 2019 charges.

Relevant Entities

26 11. As of at least April 2020, SHIBLEY controlled various limited-liability
27 companies registered in Washington State (collectively, "the Shibley Entities"), including
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Dituri Construction LLC, SS1 LLC, Seattle's Finest Cannabis LLC a/k/a SFC LLC, The
 A Team Holdings LLC, ES1 LLC, and Eric R Shibley MD PLLC d/b/a Shibley Medical.

12. Dituri Construction LLC was a Washington State Limited Liability
Company that was registered with the State of Washington on or about January 2, 2020.
Individual 1 was listed as Dituri Construction LLC's only identified governor and the
business purported to be located at Individual 1's residence. On or about January 9,
2020, Dituri Construction LLC obtained an Employer Identification Number ("EIN")
ending in 8508 from the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS").

a. On or about April 30, 2020, and May 1, 2020, a Statement of
Change and an Amended Annual Report, respectively, were filed with the State of
Washington listing SHIBLEY as the registered agent and only identified governor for
Dituri Construction LLC and SHIBLEY's residence as the principal office address.

b. On or about May 5, 2020, an Operating Agreement dated on or
about January 7, 2020 was filed with the State of Washington purporting to show that
SHIBLEY owned 90 percent of Dituri Construction LLC.

16 c. On or about May 9, 2020, SHIBLEY and Individual 1 executed a
17 purchase agreement, made effective May 5, 2020, by which SHIBLEY purchased Dituri
18 Construction LLC from Individual 1 for \$10.

d. On or about May 28, 2020, a second EIN ending in 8667 was
obtained from the IRS for an entity using the name Dituri Construction that purported to
be located at SHIBLEY's residence.

e. From at least on or about January 1, 2019, to on or about February
15, 2020, Dituri Construction LLC had no employees for which federal payroll taxes
were paid.

13. SS1 LLC was a Washington State Limited Liability Company that was
registered with the State of Washington on or about October 3, 2017. SHIBLEY was
SS1 LLC's registered agent and only identified governor. On or about January 2, 2018,
SS1 LLC obtained an EIN ending in 2134 from the IRS.

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a. SS1 LLC was administratively dissolved on or about March 3, 2020.
 On or about April 6, 2020, SHIBLEY filed documentation with Washington State to
 reinstate SS1 LLC.

b. On or about April 20, 2020, an EIN ending in 7509 was obtained
from the IRS for an entity using the name SS1 that purported to be located at SHIBLEY's
residence.

c. From at least on or about January 1, 2019, to on or about February
8 15, 2020, SS1 LLC had no employees for which federal payroll taxes were paid.

9 14. Seattle's Finest Cannabis LLC was a Washington State Limited Liability
10 Company that was registered with the State of Washington on or about November 3,
11 2017. SHIBLEY was Seattle's Finest Cannabis LLC's registered agent and only
12 governor. Seattle's Finest Cannabis LLC obtained an EIN ending in 3580 from the IRS
13 on or about November 13, 2017.

a. On or about May 13, 2020, SHIBLEY filed paperwork with the
Washington State Secretary of State changing Seattle's Finest Cannabis LLC's name to
SFC LLC.

b. From at least on or about January 1, 2019, to on or about February
15, 2020, Seattle's Finest Cannabis LLC a/k/a SFC LLC had no employees for which
19 federal payroll taxes were paid.

The A Team Holdings LLC was a Washington State Limited Liability
 Company that was registered with the State of Washington on or about December 10,
 SHIBLEY was The A Team Holdings LLC's registered agent and only governor.
 On or about February 7, 2019, The A Team Holdings LLC obtained an EIN ending in
 7088 from the IRS.

a. From at least on or about January 1, 2019, to on or about February
15, 2020, The A Team Holdings LLC had no employees for which federal payroll taxes
were paid.

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16. ES1 LLC was a Washington State Limited Liability Company that was
 registered with the State of Washington on or about October 25, 2012. SHIBLEY was
 ES1 LLC's registered agent and only governor. On or about November 11, 2012, ES1
 LLC obtained an EIN ending in 5849 from the IRS.

a. From at least on or about January 1, 2019, to on or about February 15, 2020, ES1 LLC had no employees for which federal payroll taxes were paid.

7 17. Eric R Shibley MD PLLC dba Shibley Medical was a Washington State
8 Professional Limited Liability Company that was registered with the State of Washington
9 on or about December 12, 2012. SHIBLEY was Eric R Shibley MD PLLC's registered
10 agent and only governor. On or about December 23, 2012, Eric R Shibley MD PLLC
11 obtained an EIN ending in 9052 from the IRS.

a. From at least on or about January 1, 2019, to on or about February
13 15, 2020, Eric R Shibley MD PLLC had no employees for which federal payroll taxes
were paid.

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Relevant PPP Lenders

16 18. Financial Institution 1 was a Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation-insured
17 bank headquartered in Salt Lake City, Utah. Financial Institution 1 participated as a PPP
18 lender to small businesses.

19 19. Lender 1 was a publicly traded real-estate investment trust with its primary
offices in New York, Texas, and New Jersey that participated in the PPP as both a lender
and a broker between borrowers and other PPP lenders. Lender 1 served as a broker for
PPP loans for Financial Institution 2, a Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation-insured
bank headquartered in West Reading, Pennsylvania. As a broker, Lender 1 collected and
provided loan applications to Financial Institution 2 for funding once approved.

25 20. Lender 2 was a non-bank small-business lender headquartered in Laguna
26 Hills, California. Lender 2 participated as a PPP lender to small businesses.

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Financial Institution 3 was a state-chartered, nationally-insured credit union
 headquartered in Chubbuck, Idaho. Financial Institution 3 participated as a PPP lender to
 small businesses.

4 22. Financial Institution 4 was a Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation-insured
5 bank headquartered in Detroit, Michigan. Financial Institution 4 participated as a PPP
6 lender to small businesses.

7 23. Financial Institution 5 was a Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation-insured
8 bank headquartered in Tukwila, Washington. Financial Institution 5 participated as a
9 PPP lender to small businesses.

10 24. Financial Institution 6 was a Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation-insured
11 bank headquartered in San Francisco, California. Financial Institution 6 participated as a
12 PPP lender to small businesses.

13 25. Financial Institution 7 was a Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation-insured
14 bank headquartered in Fort Lee, New Jersey. Financial Institution 7 participated as a PPP
15 lender to small businesses.

16 26. Financial Institution 8 was a Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation-insured
17 bank headquartered in Portland, Oregon. Financial Institution 8 participated as a PPP
18 lender to small businesses.

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Bank Accounts Controlled by SHIBLEY

20 27. SHIBLEY controlled and had sole signatory authority over multiple bank
21 accounts in his name and in the names of the Shibley Entities at many different financial
22 institutions, including at Financial Institution 5, Financial Institution 6, Financial
23 Institution 9, and Financial Institution 10.

24 28. SHIBLEY controlled and was the sole signatory on the following bank
25 accounts at Financial Institution 5:

26a.A checking account ending in 7277 in the name of Dituri27Construction LLC.

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 in Vienna, Virginia. SHIBLEY controlled and was the sole signatory on the following bank accounts at Financial Institution 9: a. A checking account ending in 9972 in the name of Eric R Shibley MD PLLC. b. A savings account ending in 7528 in the name of Eric R Shibley MD PLLC. c. SHIBLEY also controlled a savings account ending in 4507 in the name of ES1 LLC. 31. Financial Institution 10 was a nationally-insured credit union headquartere in Seattle, Washington. SHIBLEY controlled and was the sole signatory on the following bank accounts at Financial Institution 10: a. A savings account ending in 5320 in the name of SS1 LLC. 	1	b. A savings account ending in 7219 in the name of Dituri Construction			
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COUNTS 1-7

(Wire Fraud)

3 32. The allegations in Paragraphs 1 – 31 are re-alleged and incorporated by
4 reference as if set forth in full herein.

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The Scheme to Defraud

Beginning in or around April 2020, and continuing until in or around June 6 33. 2020, in Seattle, within the Western District of Washington, and elsewhere, defendant 7 ERIC SHIBLEY, together with others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, knowingly 8 and with intent to defraud, devised and executed and attempted to execute a scheme and 9 artifice to defraud Financial Institution 1, Financial Institution 2, Financial Institution 3, 10 Financial Institution 4, Financial Institution 5, Financial Institution 6, Financial 11 Institution 7, Financial Institution 8, Lender 1, Lender 2, and the SBA and to obtain 12 money and property in the custody and control of Financial Institution 1, Financial 13 Institution 2, Financial Institution 3, Financial Institution 4, Financial Institution 5, 14 Financial Institution 6, Financial Institution 7, Financial Institution 8, Lender 1, Lender 2, 15 and the SBA by means of material false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and 16 promises, and the concealment of material facts, all by filing false and fraudulent 17 applications for PPP and EIDL funds. 18

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В.

Purpose of the Scheme to Defraud

34. The purpose of the scheme to defraud was for SHIBLEY to unjustly enrich
himself by obtaining PPP and EIDL loan proceeds under false and misleading pretenses,
including by making false statements about the monthly payroll expenses, employees,
and revenues of the Shibley Entities and about SHIBLEY's probation status. It was also
the purpose of the scheme to defraud to conceal the scheme.

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C.

Manner and Means of the Scheme to Defraud

35. To carry out the scheme to defraud, SHIBLEY submitted and caused to be
 submitted multiple fraudulent PPP loan applications on behalf of the Shibley Entities to
 Financial Institution 1, Financial Institution 2, Financial Institution 3, Financial Institution
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4. Financial Institution 5, Financial Institution 6, Financial Institution 7, Financial 1 Institution 8, Lender 1, and Lender 2 ("the Fraudulent PPP Applications") and 2 approximately 13 fraudulent EIDL loan applications on behalf of the Shibley Entities to 3 the SBA ("the Fraudulent EIDL Applications"). 4

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In each of the Fraudulent PPP Applications and the Fraudulent EIDL 36. Applications, SHIBLEY identified himself as the sole or majority owner of each entity.

SHIBLEY made, and caused to be made, material false statements in each of 7 37. the Fraudulent PPP Applications, which SHIBLEY knew to be false when he made them 8 9 and caused them to be made. For example:

In each of the Fraudulent PPP Applications, SHIBLEY falsely 10 a. certified that he was not currently on probation. In fact, as SHIBLEY knew, he was on 11 probation in Washington State at the time he submitted the applications. 12

In each of the Fraudulent PPP Applications, SHIBLEY knowingly 13 b. provided false information about the number of employees the Shibley Entities had for 14 whom payroll taxes were paid as of February 15, 2020. In fact, as SHIBLEY knew, none 15 of the Shibley Entities had the number of qualifying employees SHIBLEY claimed on the 16 applications as of February 15, 2020. 17

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In each of the Fraudulent PPP Applications, SHIBLEY knowingly c. provided false information about the monthly payroll obligations of each of the Shibley 19 Entities. In fact, as SHIBLEY knew, none of the Shibley Entities had the monthly payroll 20obligations that SHIBLEY falsely claimed them to have. 21

SHIBLEY provided false tax return information, which SHIBLEY d. 22 knew to be false when he provided it, to Financial Institution 1, Financial Institution 3, 23 Financial Institution 4, Financial Institution 5, Financial Institution 6, Financial Institution 24 7, Financial Institution 8, Lender 1, and Lender 2 to support the Fraudulent PPP 25 Applications, including fake IRS Forms 941 that included false statements about the 26taxable wages, tips, and other compensation the Shibley Entities had paid to employees in 27 tax years 2019 and in the first quarter of 2020. In fact, none of the Shibley Entities had 28

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filed IRS Forms 941 for tax years 2019 and the first quarter of 2020 and had not paid the 1 taxable wages, tips, and other compensation reported in the IRS Forms 941 SHIBLEY 2 submitted. 3

SHIBLEY submitted multiple applications to different PPP lenders in the 38. 4 name of Eric R Shibley MD PLLC using different EINs. 5

On at least two occasions, SHIBLEY fraudulently used the identities of other 39. 6 individuals to support his false claims that Dituri Construction LLC and SS1 LLC had 7 qualifying employees by providing the individuals' names and the last four digits of their 8 9 social security numbers to PPP lenders.

SHIBLEY opened checking and savings accounts in the names of some of 10 40. the Shibley Entities shortly before or at the time he submitted fraudulent PPP loan 11 applications in their names. SHIBLEY then provided these account numbers to the PPP 12 lenders to which he submitted fraudulent loan applications as business accounts into which 13 PPP loan funds should be deposited. For example: 14

On or about April 21, 2020, SHIBLEY opened Financial Institution 15 a. 5 accounts ending in 9724 and 9683 in the name of SS1 LLC, approximately six days 16 after SHIBLEY submitted the first fraudulent PPP loan application in SS1 LLC's name. 17

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On or about April 30, 2020, SHIBLEY opened Financial Institution b. 5 accounts ending in 7219 and 7277 in the name of Dituri Construction LLC, the same 19 day SHIBLEY submitted the first fraudulent PPP loan application in Dituri Construction 2021 LLC's name.

SHIBLEY made, and caused to be made, material false statements in the 41. 22 Fraudulent EIDL Applications, which SHIBLEY knew to be false when he made them and 23 caused them to be made. SHIBLEY knowingly provided false information about the 24 Shibley Entities' operations, including the entities' gross revenues, cost of goods sold, and 25 number of employees in the twelve-month period preceding January 31, 2020. 26

In addition, on several of the Fraudulent EIDL Applications SHIBLEY 27 42. falsely certified that he was not currently on probation. In fact, as SHIBLEY knew, he was 28

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1 on probation in Washington State at the time he submitted the applications.

43. In at least two of the Fraudulent EIDL Applications, SHIBLEY falsely
claimed to own and operate a sole proprietorship in his name. In fact, SHIBLEY knew that
no sole proprietorship in his name existed.

44. To conceal the scheme to defraud, SHIBLEY transferred PPP loan and EIDL
funds he received, based on the false representations he made and caused to be made in the
Fraudulent PPP Applications and the Fraudulent EIDL Applications, between bank
accounts he controlled shortly after he first received the funds.

9 45, To further conceal the scheme to defraud, SHIBLEY withdrew PPP loan 10 funds he received from PPP lenders in cash.

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D.

Execution of the Scheme to Defraud

46. On or about the dates set forth below, in Seattle, in the Western District of
Washington, and elsewhere, defendant ERIC SHIBLEY, for the purpose of executing the
above-described scheme to defraud, did knowingly transmit and cause to be transmitted
by means of wire communication in interstate commerce the following writing, signals,
pictures, and sounds:

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17	<u>Count</u>	Date	Interstate Wire Transmission
18	1	April 23, 2020	Electronic transmission of loan note with false certifications in the name of The A Team Holdings LLC to
19	*	11pm 25, 2020	Lender 1.
20		1 25 0000	Electronic transmission of fraudulent PPP loan application
21	2	April 25, 2020	in the name of Seattle's Finest Cannabis LLC to Financial Institution 4.
22	3	May 2, 2020	Electronic transmission of fraudulent PPP loan application in the name of Dituri Construction LLC to Lender 1
23 24	4	May 4, 2020	Electronic transmission of fraudulent PPP loan application in the name of Dituri Construction LLC to Financial Institution 1.
25 26	5	May 5, 2020	Electronic transmission of loan note with false certifications to Lender 2 in the name of SS1 LLC.
20	6	June 7, 2020	Electronic transmission of fraudulent EIDL loan application in the name of Dituri Construction LLC to the SBA.
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1	7	June 7, 2020	Electronic transmission in the name of SS1 LI	on of fraudulent EIDL loan app LC to the SBA.	plication
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<u>COUNTS 8 – 10</u>

(Bank Fraud)

47. The allegations in Paragraphs 1 – 31 and 33 – 45 are re-alleged and
incorporated by reference as if set forth in full herein.

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The Scheme to Defraud

From in or around April 2020 through in or around June 2020, at Seattle, in 48. 6 the Western District of Washington and elsewhere, defendant ERIC SHIBLEY, together 7 with others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, did knowingly and intentionally 8 9 devise and intend to devise a scheme to obtain money, funds, assets, and property owned by and under the custody and control of financial institutions participating in the PPP 10 loan program, specifically Financial Institution 1, Financial Institution 2, Financial 11 Institution 3, Financial Institution 4, Financial Institution 5, Financial Institution 6, 12 Financial Institution 7, and Financial Institution 8 by means of materially false and 13 fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, and the concealment of material 14 facts. 15

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B. The Purpose of the Scheme to Defraud

49. The purpose of the scheme to defraud was for SHIBLEY to unjustly enrich
himself by obtaining PPP loan proceeds under false and misleading pretenses, including
by making false statements about the monthly payroll expenses and employees, of the
Shibley Entities and about SHIBLEY's probation status. It was also the purpose of the
scheme to defraud to conceal the scheme.

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C.

Execution of the Scheme to Defraud

50. On or about the following dates, at Seattle, in the Western District of
Washington and elsewhere, defendant SHIBLEY committed and willfully caused others to
commit the following acts, each of which constituted an execution of the fraudulent
scheme:

27	Count	Date	Act
28	8	April 25, 2020	Submission of fraudulent PPP loan application in the name of Seattle's Finest Cannabis LLC to Financial Institution 4.
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1	9	April 30, 2020	Submission of a signed loan note with false certifications to Financial Institution 2 for The A Team Holdings LLC.
2	10	May 4, 2020	Submission of fraudulent PPP loan application in the name
3			of Dituri Construction LLC to Financial Institution 1.
4	A	ll in violation of Ti	itle 18, United States Code, Sections 1344(2) and 2.
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1 <u>COUNTS 11 – 15</u> 2 (Money Laundering) 3 The allegations in Paragraphs 1-50 are re-alleged and incorporated by 51. 4 reference as if set forth in full herein. 5 On or about the dates set forth below, in the Western District of 52. 6 Washington and elsewhere, defendant ERIC SHIBLEY, knowing that the funds involved 7 represented proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, engaged in and willfully caused 8 others to engage in the following monetary transactions, in and affecting interstate 9 commerce, in criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, which 10 property, in fact, was derived from specified unlawful activity, namely, wire fraud in 11 violation of 18 United States Code, Section 1343, and bank fraud in violation of 18 12 United States Code, Section 1344(2), as charged in Counts 1 - 10:

13	Count	Date	Monetary Transaction
14			Transfer of \$960,000 from Financial Institution 6 account
15	11	May 4, 2020	ending in 9116 in the name of The A Team Holdings LLC to
16		¥ ÿ	Financial Institution 6 account ending in 3536 in the name of The A Team Holdings LLC.
			Transfer of \$563,500 from Financial Institution 5 account
17			ending in 7277 in the name of Dituri Construction LLC to
18	12	May 6, 2020	Financial Institution 5 account ending in 7219 in the name of
19			Dituri Construction LLC.
			Transfer of \$820,000 from Financial Institution 5 account
20	13	May 19, 2020	ending in 9724 in the name of SS1 LLC to Financial Institution 5 account ending in 9683 in the name of SS1 LLC.
21			Withdrawal of \$150,000 in cash from Financial Institution 6
22	14	May 26, 2020	account ending in 3536 in the name of The A Team Holdings
23			LLC.
			Deposit of \$20,000 cashier's check from Financial Institution
24	15	June 22, 2020	10 account ending in 5320 into Financial Institution 9 account
25			ending in 4507 in the name of ES1 LLC.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1957 and 2.

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1	FORFEITURE ALLEGATIONS		
2	The allegations contained in Counts $1-7$ of this Indictment are hereby realleged		
3	and incorporated by reference for the purpose of alleging forfeiture. Upon conviction of		
4	an offense allcged in Counts $1 - 7$, the Defendant ERIC SHIBLEY shall forfeit to the		
5	United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), by way of		
6	Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any property that constitutes or is traceable		
7	to proceeds of the offense. This property includes, but is not limited to:		
8	1. \$804,816.63 in U.S. funds seized on or about May 27, 2020 from Financial		
9	Institution 6 account ending in 3536 held in the name of The A Team		
10	Holdings, LLC;		
11	2. \$100,000 in U.S. funds seized on or about May 29, 2020 from Financial		
12	Institution 6 account ending in 2378 held in the name of ES1, LLC;		
13	3. \$49,500.86 in U.S. funds seized on or about May 29, 2020 from Financial		
14	Institution 9 account ending in 7528 held in the name of Eric R. Shibley MD,		
15	PLLC;		
16	4. \$114,440 in U.S. funds seized on or about June 25, 2020 from Financial		
17	Institution 10 account ending in 5390 held in the name of Dituri Construction,		
18	LLC;		
19	5. \$114,743.59 in U.S. funds seized on or about June 25, 2020 from Financial		
20	Institution 10 account ending in 5320 held in the name of SS1, LLC; and,		
21	6. A sum of money reflecting the proceeds the Defendant obtained from the		
22	offense.		
23	The allegations contained in Counts $8 - 10$ of this Indictment are hereby realleged		
24	and incorporated by reference for the purpose of alleging forfeiture. Upon conviction of		
25	an offense alleged in Counts $8 - 10$, the Defendant ERIC SHIBLEY shall forfeit to the		
26	Listed States mumment to Title 18 Linited States Code Section 082(2)(2) any property		
27	that constitutes or is traceable to proceeds of the offense.		
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1	The allegations contained in Counts $11 - 15$ of this Indictment are hereby				
2	realleged and incorporated by reference for the purpose of alleging forfeiture. Upon				
3	conviction of an offense alleged in Counts $11 - 15$, the defendant, ERIC SHIBLEY, shall				
4	forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(1),				
5	any property involved in the offense, or any property traceable to such property.				
6	(Substitute Assets)				
7	If any of the above-described forfeitable property, as a result of any act or				
8	omission of the defendant,				
9	a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;				
10	b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;				
11	c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;				
12	d. has been substantially diminished in value; or				
13	e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without				
14	difficulty;				
15	it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section				
16	853(p), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), to seek the forfeiture of any				
17	other property of the defendant, up to the value of the above-described forfeitable				
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A TRUE BILL: DATED: 10/15/2020

(Signature of Foreperson redacted Pursuant to the policy of the Judicial Conference of the United States)

FOREPERSON

for

DANIEL S. KAHN Acting Chief, Fraud Section Criminal Division, Department of Justice

AMANDA Ŕ. VAUGHN Trial Attorney

Laura Connelly

LAURA CONNELLY Trial Attorney

DEFENDANT STATUS SHEET

(One for <u>each</u> defendant)

I. CASE STATUS

✓ Yes

No

Name of Defendant: Eric Shibley

Has defendant had initial appearance in this case?

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II. CUSTODIAL STATUS

If defendant had initial appearance, please check one of the following:

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Continue Conditions of Release

Continue Detention

Temporary Detention, a detention hearing has been scheduled for

III. ARRAIGNMENT

Warrant to Issue (If so, please complete Defendant Arrest Warrant Info Sheet)

Summons to be Issued for Appearance on

Defendant's Address:

Letter to Defense Counsel for Appearance on October 22, 2020 at 9 am

Defense Attorney's Name and address: Michael Nance

The estimated trial time is 6-7 days.

(Revised March 2018)