

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA  
TAMPA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

CASE NO. **8:25-cr-00261-TPB-AAS**

18 U.S.C. § 1542

(False Statement in Passport  
Application)

18 U.S.C. § 641

(Theft of Government Funds)

ANAGHA EMEKA ONUOHA  
a/k/a Frank Edwin Emeka

INDICTMENT

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The Grand Jury charges:

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COUNT ONE

**(False Statement in Passport Application)**

A. Introduction

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At times material to this Indictment:

1. ANAGHA EMEKA ONUOHA a/k/a “Frank Edwin Emeka” (“ONUOHA”) is a Nigerian citizen living in the Middle District of Florida.
2. In or around 1986, ONUOHA entered the United States on a temporary B-1 visa. This visa expired on or about January 12, 1987. At that time, ONUOHA was required to depart from the United States. ONUOHA did not depart the United States. Instead, he continued living in the United States under the ONUOHA name as well as the alias “Frank Edwin Emeka.”
3. In or around February and March 1987, ONUOHA applied for, and received, a Social Security number in the ONUOHA name by fraudulently claiming

to be a United States citizen. In or around March 1987, ONUOHA also fraudulently applied for, and received, a Social Security number in the alias Frank Edwin Emeka. Thereafter, ONUOHA used these fraudulently obtained Social Security numbers in order to obtain benefits from the United States Government to which he was not entitled.

**B. The Crime**

4. On, or about August 12, 2021, in the Middle District of Florida and elsewhere, the defendant,

ANAGHA EMEKA ONUOHA,  
a/k/a “Frank Edwin Emeka,”

willfully and knowingly made a false statement in a Form DS-82 Renewal Application for a U.S. Passport, with intent to induce and secure for his own use the issuance of a passport under the authority of the United States, contrary to the laws regulating the issuance of such passports and the rules prescribed pursuant to such laws, to wit, in such Application, the defendant represented: that his name was “Frank Edwin Emeka” when the defendant knew that his name was Anagha Emeka Onuoha; that he had not used any prior names, when the defendant knew that he had used the name “Anagha Emeka Onuoha”; that he was born in Atlanta, Georgia, when the defendant knew that he was born in Nigeria; and that he was a United States citizen, when the defendant knew that he was not a United States citizen.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1542.

**COUNT TWO**  
**(Theft of Government Funds)**

1. The allegations in paragraphs 1 through 3 of Count One of this Indictment are realleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

2. Beginning in or around May 2002, and continuing through the date of this Indictment, in the Middle District of Florida and elsewhere, the defendant,

ANAGHA EMEKA ONUOHA,  
a/k/a "Frank Edwin Emeka,"

did knowingly and willfully receive, conceal, and retain more than \$1,000 of money and a thing of value of the United States, that is benefit payments under the Title II Federal Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance Program, from the Social Security Administration, an agency of the United States, with the intent to convert the money and thing of value to the defendant's use and gain, knowing the money and thing of value had been stolen from the United States and the Social Security Administration.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. § 641.

**COUNT THREE**  
**(Theft of Government Funds)**

1. The allegations in paragraphs 1 through 3 of Count One of this Indictment are realleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

2. Beginning in or around May 2002, and continuing through the date of

this Indictment, in the Middle District of Florida, the defendant,

ANAGHA EMEKA ONUOHA  
a/k/a "Frank Edwin Emeka,"

did knowingly and willfully receive, conceal, and retain more than \$1,000 of money and a thing of value of the United States, that is Medicare benefits, from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, a department and agency of the United States, with the intent to convert the money and thing of value to the defendant's use and gain, knowing the money and thing of value had been stolen from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. § 641.

**FORFEITURE**

1. The allegations contained in Counts One through Three of this Indictment are hereby realleged and incorporated by reference for the purpose of alleging forfeitures pursuant to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(6), 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C), and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c).

2. From his engagement in any or all of the violations alleged in Count One, the defendant,

ANAGHA EMEKA ONUOHA  
a/k/a "Frank Edwin Emeka,"

shall forfeit to the United States of America, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(6), any conveyance, including any vessel, vehicle, or aircraft used in the commission of the offense; any property real or personal, that constitutes, or is derived from or is

traceable to the proceeds obtained directly or indirectly from the commission of the offense; and any property that is used to facilitate, or is intended to be used to facilitate, the commission of the offense.

3. Upon conviction of a violation of 18 U.S.C. § 641, the defendant shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), any property, real or personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to the violation.

4. The property to be forfeited includes, but is not limited to, the following: an order of forfeiture for at least \$2,275,086.81, which represents the proceeds of the offense.

7. If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:


- a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
- c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- d. has been substantially diminished in value; or
- e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty;

the United States shall be entitled to forfeiture of substitute property under the provisions of 21 U.S.C. § 853(p), as incorporated by 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c).

A TRUE BILL,



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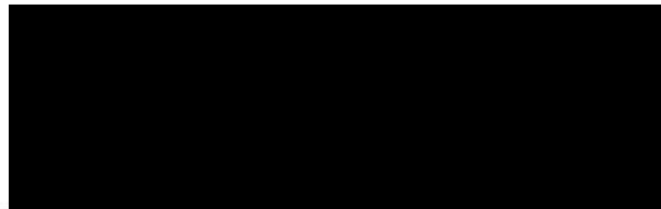
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INDICTMENT

Violations: 18 U.S.C. § 1542  
18 U.S.C. § 641

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Filed in open court this 28<sup>th</sup> day

of May 2025.

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Clerk Karina Nieves

Bail \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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