

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Plaintiff,

v.

[1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ,
(Counts 1 through 4, 8, 9, and 15 through 17)
[2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ,
a.k.a. "Peluch," "Robert,"
(Counts 1, 3, 5 through 14, and 16)
Defendants.

INDICTMENT

Criminal No. 26 - 240 (GJM)

Violations:

Count 1:
18 U.S.C. § 1349

Counts 2 and 3:
18 U.S.C. § 1341

Counts 4 through 14:
18 U.S.C. § 1343

Counts 15 and 16:
21 U.S.C. § 331(k)

Count 17:
18 U.S.C. § 1001(a)(2)

Forfeitures:

18 U.S.C. § 981
28 U.S.C. § 2461(c)

(SEVENTEEN COUNTS)

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

At all times relevant to this Indictment:

1. Defendant [1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ performed dental procedures on patients without a valid license to practice dentistry. These procedures included application of braces, teeth whitening, dental cleaning, veneer application, and cavities. He also grinded patients' teeth using an electric grinding tool, administered anesthesia to patients, and provided prescription antibiotics following dental procedures.

2. Defendant [1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ represented to patients that he was a licensed dentist.

3. Defendant [2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ was defendant [1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ's representative in Puerto Rico and coordinated dental appointments. He advertised dental services on social media and told patients that defendant [1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ was a licensed dentist.

4. Defendant [1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ rented Airbnb's and other rental properties to perform dental procedures. He accepted cash, Zelle, Venmo, CashApp, and Square for payment of his services.

5. Defendant [1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ also performed dental procedures at a dedicated office in Columbus, OH.

6. Defendant [1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ charged an upfront security deposit before the patient's appointment and required payment of the remaining balance the day of the dental appointment.

7. The practice of dentistry in the State of Ohio, State of Texas, State of New York, State of Florida, and District of Puerto Rico was regulated. Individuals were required to possess a license issued by the state's government agency to engage in the practice of dentistry.

8. Defendant [1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ did not possess a valid license to practice dentistry in the State of Ohio, State of Texas, State of New York, State of Florida, or District of Puerto Rico.

9. All throughout this Indictment, whenever a reference to a date is made, the reference should be understood to mean "on or about" the stated date.

COUNT ONE
(Conspiracy to Commit Mail and Wire Fraud)

The General Allegations are realleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

From in or about and between late 2022, through March 24, 2026, both dates being approximate and inclusive, in the State of Ohio, State of Texas, State of New York, State of Florida, District of Puerto Rico and within the jurisdiction of this Court,

[1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ,

[2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ,
a.k.a. "Peluch," "Robert,"

the defendants herein, knowingly and intentionally combined, conspired, confederated, and agreed with each other and other persons, known and unknown, to commit the following offenses:

- A. having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud and obtain money by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, caused to be delivered by the U.S. Postal Service packages containing dental supplies, for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1341; and
- B. having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud and obtain money by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, transmitted and caused to be transmitted by means of wire communication in interstate commerce, writings, signs, signals, pictures, and sounds for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1343.

All in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1349.

COUNTS TWO AND THREE
(Mail Fraud)

The General Allegations are realleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

In or about October 2025, in the State of Ohio, District of Puerto Rico and within the jurisdiction of this Court,

[1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ,

[2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ,
a.k.a. "Peluch," "Robert,"

the defendants herein, knowingly and willfully, having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud and obtain money by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, caused to be delivered by the U.S. Postal Service packages containing dental supplies, for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice, as more fully described below:

Count	Defendant(s)	Date	Mail Communication
2	[1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ	October 5, 2025	Package mailed by Pairay Dental Limited in Fullerton, CA to Carlos Rendon in Columbus, OH.
3	[1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ [2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ	October 6, 2025	Package mailed from Dream Smile AR LLC in Columbus, OH to Jandiel Santos in San Lorenzo, PR.

All in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1341.

COUNTS FOUR THROUGH FOURTEEN
(Wire Fraud)

The General Allegations are realleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

From in or about and between November 6, 2024, through March 22, 2026, both dates being approximate and inclusive, in the State of Ohio, District of Puerto Rico and within the jurisdiction of this Court,

[1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ,

[2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ,
a.k.a. "Peluch," "Robert,"

the defendants herein, knowingly and willfully, having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud and obtain money by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, transmitted and caused to be transmitted by means of wire communication in interstate commerce, writings, signs, signals, pictures, and sounds for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice, as more fully described below:

Count	Defendant(s)	Date	Wire Communication
4	[1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ	November 6, 2024	Advertisement posted on Instagram account named "Dream Smile AR" promoting dental services by Carlos Rendon.
5	[2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ	November 6, 2024	Instagram Story posted on Instagram account named "peluch3barber_" advertising dental services in Vieques, PR November 8 to November 10, 2024.
6	[2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ	September 29, 2025	Instagram Story posted on Instagram account "peluch3barber_" and

			"tusonrisapr" advertising dental services in Puerto Rico from October 26 to 28.
7	[2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ	October 9, 2025	WhatsApp message sent to confidential human source regarding dental appointment.
8	[1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ [2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ	October 9, 2025	WhatsApp audio call between confidential human source, [1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ, and [2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ discussing dental services.
9	[1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ [2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ	January 13 – 14, 2026	WhatsApp messages and audio calls between [1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ and [2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ coordinating future dental services.
10	[2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ	March 4, 2026	Instagram Story posted on Instagram account "peluch3barber_" advertising dental services.
11	[2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ	March 11, 2026	Instagram Story posted on Instagram account "peluch3barber_" advertising dental services in San Juan, PR on the 22nd and 23rd of the month.
12	[2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ	March 12, 2026	WhatsApp audio call with confidential human source discussing dental services.
13	[2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ	March 12 – 22, 2026	WhatsApp audio messages sent to P.C.V.H. regarding dental appointment and service.
14	[2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ	March 22, 2026	WhatsApp audio messages sent to J.M.M.M. regarding dental appointment and service.

All in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1343.

COUNTS FIFTEEN AND SIXTEEN
(Misbranding of Devices)

The General Allegations are realleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

From in or about and between October 8, 2025, through March 23, 2026, both dates being approximate and inclusive, in the District of Puerto Rico and within the jurisdiction of this Court,

[1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ,

[2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ,
a.k.a. "Peluch," "Robert,"

the defendants herein, with intent to defraud and mislead, did cause the misbranding of a device, while such device was held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce, that is, the defendant caused the following prescription devices:

Count	Defendant(s)	Date	Description of Device
15	[1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ	October 8, 2025	ENA Enamel Light Curing Composite, a prescription-only device.
16	[1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ [2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ	March 23, 2026	ENA Enamel Light Curing Composite, a prescription-only device.

to be dispensed without a written prescription of a licensed practitioner, causing said devices to be misbranded, within the meaning of 21 U.S.C. § 352(f)(1).

All in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 331(k) & 333(a)(2).

COUNT SEVENTEEN
(False Statements)

The General Allegations are realleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

On or about March 23, 2026, in the District of Puerto Rico, and within the jurisdiction of this Court,

[1] CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ,

the defendant herein, in a matter within the jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, an agency of the executive branch of the United States, did knowingly, willfully, voluntarily, and intentionally make a materially false, fictitious, and fraudulent statement and representation to a Federal Bureau of Investigation Special Agent investigating the violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1341, 1343, and 1349, described in this Indictment and incorporated herein. That is, the defendant told the Special Agent that he does not ship dental supplies or materials to [2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ, does not use any prescription-only products, does not grind anyone's teeth, and no one's ever had problems with veneers he has done, whereas in truth and in fact, as the defendant then knew, the defendant had shipped dental supplies and materials to [2] JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ, had used prescription-only products, had ground patient's teeth, and several patients had problems with veneers he had done.

All in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1001(a)(2).

MAIL AND WIRE FRAUD FORFEITURE ALLEGATION

The allegations contained in Counts One through Fourteen of this Indictment are hereby re-alleged and incorporated by reference for the purpose of alleging forfeitures pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C). Upon conviction of the offenses in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1341, 1343, and 1349, set forth in Counts One through Fourteen of this Indictment, the defendants,

[1] **CARLOS ANDRES RENDON BERMUDEZ,**

[2] **JANDIEL SANTOS RODRIGUEZ,**
a.k.a. "Peluch," "Robert,"

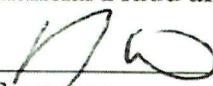
shall forfeit to the United States any property, real or personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to said violation. If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendants: (a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence; (b) has 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 of America shall be entitled to forfeiture of substitute property pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(p), as incorporated by 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c).

TRUE BILL
FOREPERSON
DATE: 4 - 24 - 2020

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