

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY
LOUISVILLE DIVISION

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

INFORMATION

v.

NO. 3:26-cr-78-CRS

CHRISTIAN BERKHAHN

18 U.S.C. § 2
18 U.S.C. § 982
18 U.S.C. § 1347
21 U.S.C. § 843
21 U.S.C. § 846
21 U.S.C. § 853

The United States Attorney charges:

COUNT 1

(Obtain a controlled substance by misrepresentation, fraud, forgery, deception, or subterfuge)

On or about January 28, 2022, in the Western District of Kentucky, Jefferson County, Kentucky, and elsewhere, the defendant, **CHRISTIAN BERKHAHN**, did knowingly and intentionally combine, conspire, confederate and agree with other persons, to knowingly and intentionally acquire and obtain and attempt to acquire and obtain possession of controlled substances by misrepresentation, fraud, forgery, deception, and subterfuge, to wit: **CHRISTIAN BERKHAHN**, who is a licensed medical doctor, wrote a prescription for Cotempla, a Schedule II controlled substance, in the name of one of his employee's children, and requested the employee pick up the prescription from a pharmacy and provide the controlled substances to **CHRISTIAN BERKHAHN**.

In violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 843(a)(3) and 846.

The United States Attorney further charges:

COUNT 2

(Obtain a controlled substance by misrepresentation, fraud, forgery, deception, or subterfuge)

On or about March 4, 2021, in the Western District of Kentucky, Jefferson and Oldham Counties, Kentucky, and elsewhere, the defendant, **CHRISTIAN BERKHAHN**, did knowingly and intentionally combine, conspire, confederate and agree with other persons, to knowingly and intentionally acquire and obtain and attempt to acquire and obtain possession of controlled substances by misrepresentation, fraud, forgery, deception, and subterfuge, to wit: **CHRISTIAN BERKHAHN**, who is a licensed medical doctor, wrote a prescription for Oxycodone, a Schedule II controlled substance, in the name of E.M. knowing that someone else would actually acquire and obtain the Oxycodone prescription from the pharmacy.

In violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 843(a)(3) and 846.

The United States Attorney further charges:

COUNT 3

(Health Care Fraud)

On or about the February 28, 2022, in the Western District of Kentucky, Jefferson County, Kentucky, and elsewhere, the defendant, **CHRISTIAN BERKHAHN**, aided and abetted by others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, knowingly and willfully executed, and attempted to execute, a scheme and artifice to defraud health care benefit programs, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, to wit: **CHRISTIAN BERKHAHN** knowingly dispensed and distributed controlled substances, as listed in Count 1 above, knowing the patient would fill the prescription at a pharmacy, and the pharmacy, in turn, would submit the claim to a health care benefit program for reimbursement.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1347 and 2.

The United States Attorney further charges:

COUNT 4
(Health Care Fraud)

On or about the March 4, 2021, in the Western District of Kentucky, Jefferson County, Kentucky, and elsewhere, the defendant, **CHRISTIAN BERKHAHN**, aided and abetted by others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, knowingly and willfully executed, and attempted to execute, a scheme and artifice to defraud health care benefit programs, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, to wit: **CHRISTIAN BERKHAHN** knowingly dispensed and distributed controlled substances, as listed in Count 2 above, knowing that the prescription would be filled at a pharmacy by someone other than who he prescribed it to, and the pharmacy, in turn, would submit the claim to a health care benefit program for reimbursement.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1347 and 2.

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

If convicted of any violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 843 and 846, the defendant, **CHRISTIAN BERKHAHN**, shall forfeit to the United States any property constituting or derived from any proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as the result of any such violation, and any property used or intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit or to facilitate the commission of such violation, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853.

If convicted of any violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1347, the defendant, **CHRISTIAN BERKHAHN** shall forfeit to the United States any property constituting or derived

from any proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as the result of any such violations, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(7).

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Kyle Bumgarner", is centered on a light pink rectangular background.

KYLE G. BUMGARNER
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

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