

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

MARELI ARIAS BATISTA , aka
O.G.S., and O.G.R.,
Defendant.

Cr. No. 1:26-cr-00049JJM-AEM

In violation of 42 U.S.C. § 408(a)(7)(B), 18
U.S.C. § 1028A, 18 U.S.C. § 1343, 18
U.S.C. § 1347, 18 U.S.C. § 1542, 18
U.S.C. § 1344

INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges that:

COUNT ONE: 42 U.S.C. § 408(a)(7)(B)
(False Representation of Social Security Number)

On or about June 26, 2023, in the District of Rhode Island, defendant MARELI ARIAS BATISTA, aka O.G.S. and O.G.R., for the purpose of obtaining anything of value from any person, and for any other purpose, did, with intent to deceive, falsely represent a number to be the social security account number assigned by the Commissioner of Social Security to her on an application for benefits under the Unemployment Insurance Program, when in fact such number is not the social security account number assigned by the Commissioner of Social Security to her but rather the social security number of Victim A.

In violation of Title 42, United States Code, Section 408(a)(7)(B).

COUNT TWO: 18 U.S.C. § 1028A(a)(1)
(Aggravated Identity Theft)

From in or about August of 2014 to the present, in the District of Rhode Island, defendant MARELI ARIAS BATISTA, aka O.G.S. and O.G.R., did knowingly transfer, possess, and use, without lawful authority, a means of identification of another person, to wit, the name and social

security number of Victim A, during and in relation to a felony violation enumerated in 18 U.S.C. § 1028A(c), to wit, Health Care Fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1347.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1028A(a)(1).

COUNT THREE: 18 U.S.C. § 1347
(Health Care Fraud)

From in or about August of 2014 to the present, in the District of Rhode Island and elsewhere, defendant MARELI ARIAS BATISTA, aka O.G.S. and O.G.R., by applying for and obtaining Medicaid benefits using the identity of Victim A, knowingly executed and attempted to execute a scheme and artifice to defraud and to obtain money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of a health care benefit program, to wit United Healthcare Community Plan, in the total approximate amount of \$28,236.42, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items and services.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code § 1347.

COUNT FOUR: 18 U.S.C. § 1343
(Wire Fraud)

From in or about May of 2020 to February of 2025, in the District of Rhode Island and elsewhere, defendant MARELI ARIAS BATISTA, aka O.G.S. and O.G.R., by applying for and obtaining benefits using the identity of Victim A, knowingly executed and attempted to execute a scheme and artifice to defraud and to obtain money, funds, assets, and other property owned by, and under the custody and control of the Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training, to wit the Unemployment Insurance Program benefits in the total approximate amount of \$32,849, by transmitting and causing to be transmitted, by means of wire communications in interstate commerce, to wit the Unemployment Insurance benefit payments, through Citizens Financial Group, Inc., for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice to defraud.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code § 1343.

COUNT FIVE: 18 U.S.C. 1542
(False Statement in Application for Passport)

On or about August 26, 2020, in the District of Rhode Island, defendant MARELI ARIAS BATISTA, aka O.G.S. and O.G.R., did willfully and knowingly make false statements in an application for passport by falsely stating that her identity was O.G.R. with intent to induce and secure the issuance of a passport under the authority of the United States, for her own use and the use of another, contrary to the laws regulating the issuance of passports and the rules prescribed pursuant to such laws.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code § 1542.

COUNT SIX: 18 U.S.C. 1542
(Use of a False Passport)

On or about April 15, 2025, in the District of Rhode Island, defendant, MARELI ARIAS BATISTA, aka O.G.S. and O.G.R., did willfully and knowingly use passport No. 661679715, issued under the authority of the United States, the issuance of which was secured by reason of a false statement made in the application therefore which falsely stated that her identity was O.G.R., which said passport the defendant presented to a Diplomatic Security Service special agent as proof of her own identity in Providence, Rhode Island.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code § 1542.

COUNT SEVEN: 18 U.S.C. 1344
(Bank Fraud)

Between in or around January 4, 2018 through the present, in the District of Rhode Island, defendant, MARELI ARIAS BATISTA, aka O.G.S. and O.G.R., did knowingly execute, and attempt to execute, a scheme and artifice to obtain any of the moneys, funds, credits, assets,

securities, and other property owned by and under the custody and control of Santander Bank, a financial institution insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, to wit: entering into a mortgage in Victim A's identity.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code § 1344(2).

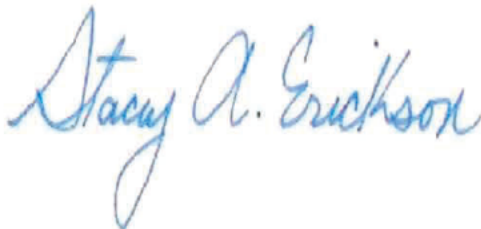
A TRUE BILL:



Grand Jury Foreperson



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Date: May 27, 2026