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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**
**IN AND FOR VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**STATE OF FLORIDA,**
**Plaintiff,**

**CASE NUMBER: 2026-103835CFDB**

**v.**

**OSP CASE NUMBER: 2026-OSP-0486**

**VENESSA K. THOMAS**
**Defendant.**
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**INFORMATION**

**COUNT 1:**
**MEDICAID PROVIDER FRAUD,**
In violation of §409.920(2)(a)1 and 409.920(2)(b)1.c., Florida Statutes, a First-Degree Felony (LEVEL 9)

**COUNT 2:**
**ORGANIZED SCHEME TO DEFRAUD GREATER THAN $50,000,**
In violation of §817.034(4)(a)1, Florida Statutes, a First-Degree Felony (LEVEL 7)

**COUNT 3:**
**CRIMINAL USE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION,**
In violation of §817.568(6), Florida Statutes, a Second-Degree Felony (LEVEL 5)

**COUNT 4:**
**OFFENSES AGAINST USERS OF COMPUTERS,**
In violation of §815.06(2)(a) and 815.06(3)(b)2, Florida Statutes, a Second-Degree Felony (LEVEL 4)

**IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA**

**COUNT 1**
**MEDICAID PROVIDER FRAUD - $50,000 OR MORE**

**BRADLEY R. MCVAY**, Statewide Prosecutor for the State of Florida, by and through the undersigned Chief Assistant Statewide Prosecutor, under oath, CHARGES that beginning on or about January 1, 2022, and continuing through and including April 30, 2025, in the Second and Seventh Judicial Circuits of Florida, to wit: Leon and Volusia Counties, in the State of Florida, as part of a related

transaction occurring in two or more Judicial Circuits, or in connection with an organized criminal conspiracy affecting two or more Judicial Circuits, the defendant **VENESSA K. THOMAS**, did knowingly make, cause to be made, or aid and abet in the making of any false statement or false representation of a material fact, by commission or omission, in any claim submitted to the Agency for Health Care Administration or its fiscal agent or a managed care plan for payment, and by which crime the defendant received or endeavored to receive anything of value, to wit: Two Hundred, Sixty-One Thousand, Eight Hundred Four and 40/100 Dollars ($261,804.40) in United States currency or proceeds of Medicaid Claims, in violation of §409.920(2)(a)1. and (2)(b)1.c., Florida Statutes, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Florida.

## COUNT 2
## ORGANIZED SCHEME TO DEFRAUD GREATER THAN $50,000

**BRADLEY R. MCVAY**, Statewide Prosecutor for the State of Florida, by and through the undersigned Chief Assistant Statewide Prosecutor, under oath, CHARGES that beginning on or about January 1, 2022, and continuing through and including April 30, 2025, in the Second and Seventh Judicial Circuits of Florida, to wit: Leon and Volusia Counties, in the State of Florida, as part of a related transaction occurring in two or more Judicial Circuits, or in connection with an organized criminal conspiracy affecting two or more Judicial Circuits, the defendant **VENESSA K. THOMAS** did engage in a systematic, ongoing course of conduct with the intent to defraud one or more persons, or with intent to obtain property from one or more persons by false or fraudulent pretenses, representations, or promises or willful misrepresentations of a future act, and, as a result, obtained property of value, i.e. U.S. currency, with an aggregate value of Two Hundred, Nineteen Thousand, Seven Hundred, Eighty-seven and 13/100 Dollars ($219,787.13), in violation of §817.034(4)(a)1., Florida Statutes, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Florida.

## COUNT 3
## CRIMINAL USE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

**BRADLEY R. MCVAY**, Statewide Prosecutor for the State of Florida, by and through the undersigned Chief Assistant Statewide Prosecutor, under oath, charges that beginning on or about January 1, 2022, and continuing through and including April 30, 2025, in the Second and Seventh Judicial Circuits of Florida, to wit: Leon and Volusia Counties, in the State of Florida, as part of a related transaction occurring in two or more Judicial Circuits, or in connection with an organized criminal conspiracy affecting two or more Judicial Circuits, the defendant **VENESSA K. THOMAS** did willfully and without authorization fraudulently use the personal identification information of an individual who is younger than 18 years of age without the consent of that individual or of his or her legal guardian, in violation of §817.568(6), Florida Statutes, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Florida.

**COUNT 4**
**OFFENSES AGAINST USERS OF COMPUTERS**

**BRADLEY R. MCVAY**, Statewide Prosecutor for the State of Florida, by and through the undersigned Chief Assistant Statewide Prosecutor, under oath, CHARGES that beginning on or about January 1, 2022, and continuing through and including April 30, 2025, in the Second and Seventh Judicial Circuits of Florida, to wit: Leon and Volusia Counties, in the State of Florida, as part of a related transaction occurring in two or more Judicial Circuits, or in connection with an organized criminal conspiracy affecting two or more Judicial Circuits, the defendant **VENESSA K. THOMAS** did willfully and knowingly exceed her privilege as a Medicaid provider by deliberately accessing the Sunshine Health Provider Portal to steal protected healthcare information of Medicaid recipients she was not authorized to view or use, and did execute an organized billing scheme to defraud the Medicaid program by submitting thousands of claims for services never rendered contrary to §815.06(2)(a) and (3)(b)2., Florida Statutes, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Florida.

AND SAID OFFENSES OCCURRED IN TWO OR MORE JUDICIAL CIRCUITS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA AS PART OF A RELATED TRANSACTION OR SAID OFFENSES WERE CONNECTED WITH AN ORGANIZED CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY AFFECTING, TWO OR MORE JUDICIAL CIRCUITS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA, OR FACILITATED BY COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSACTIONS USING THE INTERNET OR OTHER MEANS OF ELECTRONIC DATA COMMUNICATION, INCLUDING ELECTRONIC DATA STORAGE OR TRANSMISSION DEVICES, MAIL, TELEPHONE, OR INTERNET.

BRADLEY R. MCVAY
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COUNTY OF DUVAL

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared, KELSEY A. BLEDSOE, Chief Assistant Statewide Prosecutor, who, first being duly sworn, say that the allegations as set forth in the foregoing Information is based upon facts that have been sworn to as true, and which, if true, would constitute the offenses therein charged, that the prosecution is instituted in good faith, and certifies that he has received testimony under oath from the material witness or witnesses for the offenses.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of June, 2026, by KELSEY A. BLEDSOE, who is personally known to me.

Paige Shirley
Notary Public – signature
State of Florida At Large

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Notary Public – printed name

PAIGE SHIRLEY
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**DEFENDANT'S BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:**

**VENESSA K. THOMAS**
**DOB:** [redacted]
**R/S: Black/Female**
**LKA:** [redacted]