

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

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004-015

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)
)
 v.)
)
 LUIGI "Louie" MANOCCHIO,)
 a/k/a "Baby Shacks",)
 a/k/a "The Old Man,")
 a/k/a "The Professor",)
)
 and)
)
 THOMAS IAFRATE,)
)
)
 Defendants.)

Criminal No.:

Violation:

18 U.S.C. § 1951 & 2

FILED

JAN 7 2011

U.S. DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges:

Background:

At all times relevant to this Indictment, unless otherwise stated:

1. The defendants were members and associates of the New England organized crime family of La Cosa Nostra (the "New England LCN", or "NELCN"). The NELCN was a criminal organization engaged in, amongst other things, extortion. The NELCN operated in the city of Providence, within the District of Rhode Island, and elsewhere.

2. The head of the NELCN was known as the "Boss", whose leadership was to be respected by all members and associates. The Boss supervised, supported, protected and disciplined members

and associates of the NELCN, and received reports regarding the activities of the members and associates of the NELCN. The Boss was also responsible for resolving any disputes among members and associates of the NELCN, and for approving all significant actions taken by members and associates of the NELCN.

3. The NELCN and its members and associates relied on the use of intimidation and implied threats of force, violence and fear, and their reputation for same, to induce owners and operators of adult bookstores and topless nightclubs, or "strip clubs" in Providence, Rhode Island (hereinafter also referenced collectively as "adult entertainment businesses") to provide monthly "protection" payments in cash, and to exert and preserve the NELCN's control over these businesses. These businesses were engaged in "commerce" as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 1951(b)(3).

The Defendants

At various times relevant to this Indictment:

4. LUIGI "Louie" MANOCCHIO, a/k/a "Baby Shacks", a/k/a "The Professor", a/k/a "The Old Man", was a member, Underboss, and the Boss of the NELCN. MANOCCHIO received monthly protection payments, paid in cash from the owner and operator of certain adult entertainment businesses in Providence, Rhode Island, including the strip clubs known as the Satin Doll and the Cadillac Lounge.

5. THOMAS IAFRATE was an associate of the NELCN employed

as a bookkeeper for certain adult entertainment businesses in Providence, Rhode Island, including the Satin Doll and the Cadillac Lounge. IAFRATE was responsible for setting aside, collecting and delivering extorted "protection" payments to MANOCCHIO on behalf of the Satin Doll, the Cadillac Lounge, and other adult entertainment businesses.

COUNT ONE

(Extortion Conspiracy)

6. Beginning on or about a date unknown to the Grand Jury, but at least as early as 1993, and continuing thereafter through and including on or about the date of this Indictment, in the District of Rhode Island and elsewhere, the defendants

LUIGI "Louie" MANOCCHIO,
a/k/a "Baby Shacks",
a/k/a "The Professor",
a/k/a "The Old Man,

and

THOMAS IAFRATE,

did conspire and agree together, and with others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to obstruct, delay, and affect commerce and the movement of articles and commodities in commerce by extortion, as those terms are defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951, that is, the defendants conspired to obtain U.S. currency, the property of the owner and operator of certain adult entertainment businesses in Providence, Rhode

Island, including the strip clubs known as the Satin Doll and the Cadillac Lounge, with the owner and operator's consent induced by the wrongful use of force, violence, and fear.

All in violation of Title 18 United States Code, Sections 1951 and 2.

COUNT TWO

(Extortion)

7. On or about November 6, 2008, in the District of Rhode Island and elsewhere, the defendants

LUIGI "Louie" MANOCCHIO,
a/k/a "Baby Shacks",
a/k/a "The Professor",
a/k/a "The Old Man,"

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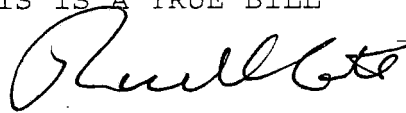
THOMAS IAFRATE,

did obstruct, delay, and affect commerce and the movement of articles and commodities in commerce by extortion, as those terms are defined in Title 18, United States Code, section 1951, that is, the defendants obtained U.S. currency in the amount of approximately \$2,900.00, the property of the owner and operator of certain adult entertainment businesses in Providence, Rhode Island, including the strip clubs known as the Satin Doll and the Cadillac Lounge, with the owner and operator's consent induced by

the wrongful use of force, violence, and fear.

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THIS IS A TRUE BILL



GRAND JURY FOREPERSON



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Assistant U.S. Attorney



SCOTT LAWSON
Trial Attorney
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Dated: January 7 2011.

DEFENDANT INFORMATION RELATIVE TO A CRIMINAL ACTION - IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT

BY: INFORMATION INDICTMENT COMPLAINT

CASE NO. _____

Matter Sealed: Juvenile Other than Juvenile
 Pre-Indictment Plea Superseding Defendant Added
 Indictment Charges/Counts Added
 Information

USA vs.

Defendant: Luigi "Louie" Manocchio, aka "Baby Shacks,"
 aka "The Old Man," aka "The Professor"

Name of District Court, and/or Judge/Magistrate Location (City)
 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT RHODE ISLAND
 DISTRICT OF _____ Divisional Office

Address: 331 Atwells Avenue
 Providence, RI

Name and Office of Person Furnishing Information on THIS FORM PETER F. NERONHA
 U.S. Atty Other U.S. Agency
 Phone No. _____
 Name of Asst. U.S. Attorney (if assigned) William J. Ferland

Interpreter Required Dialect: _____

Birth Date 6/23/1927 Male Alien
 Female (if applicable)

Social Security Number 037-16-2875

PROCEEDING

Name of Complainant Agency, or Person (& Title, if any)
 Federal Bureau of Investigations

person is awaiting trial in another Federal or State Court (give name of court)

this person/proceeding transferred from another district per (circle one) FRCrP 20, 21 or 40. Show District

this is a reprosecution of charges previously dismissed which were dismissed on motion of:

U.S. Atty Defense

this prosecution relates to a pending case involving this same defendant. (Notice of Related Case must still be filed with the Clerk.)

prior proceedings or appearance(s) before U.S. Magistrate Judge regarding this defendant were recorded under

SHOW DOCKET NO.

MAG. JUDGE CASE NO.

Place of offense RHODE ISLAND County _____

DEFENDANT

Issue: Warrant Summons

Location Status:

Arrest Date _____ or Date Transferred to Federal Custody _____

Currently in Federal Custody

Currently in State Custody

Writ Required

Currently on bond

Fugitive

Defense Counsel (if any): _____

FPD CJA RET'D

Appointed on Target Letter

This report amends AO 257 previously submitted

OFFENSE CHARGED - U.S.C. CITATION - STATUTORY MAXIMUM PENALTIES - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS

Total # of Counts 2

Set	Title & Section/Offense Level (Petty = 1 / Misdemeanor = 3 / Felony = 4)	Description of Offense Charged	Felony/Misd.
1	18 U.S.C. § §1951(a) and 2	Extortion Conspiracy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Felony <input type="checkbox"/> Misdemeanor
Max	Penalty: 20 yrs. imprisonment; \$250,000 fine;	3 yrs. S/R; & \$100 assessment.	<input type="checkbox"/> Felony <input type="checkbox"/> Misdemeanor
2	18 U.S.C. §§ 1951(a) and 2	Extortion	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Felony <input type="checkbox"/> Misdemeanor
Max	Penalty: 20 yrs. imprisonment; \$250,000 fine;	3 yrs. S/R; & \$100 assessment.	<input type="checkbox"/> Felony <input type="checkbox"/> Misdemeanor
		Estimated Trial Days: 5	<input type="checkbox"/> Felony <input type="checkbox"/> Misdemeanor

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Defendant: Thomas Iafrate

Address: 37 Susan Circle
Johnston, RI

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 DISTRICT OF _____ Divisional Office

Name and Office of Person Furnishing Information on THIS FORM: PETER F. NERONHA
 U.S. Atty Other U.S. Agency
 Phone No. _____
 Name of Asst. U.S. Attorney: William J. Ferland
 (if assigned)

Interpreter Required Dialect: _____

Birth Date: 4/9/1949 Male Alien
 Female (if applicable)

Social Security Number 037-26-4685

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