

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	CRIMINAL NO. _____
v.	:	DATE FILED: _____
STEPHEN EASTERLING	:	VIOLATIONS:
	:	18 U.S.C. § 1951(a) (robbery which interferes with interstate commerce - 1 count)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1) (brandishing, using, and carrying a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence - 1 count)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1) (convicted felon in possession of firearm - 1 count)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 2 (aiding and abetting)
	:	Notice of forfeiture

INDICTMENT

COUNT ONE

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

1. At all times material to this indictment, Little Caesars Pizza, located at 2501 Island Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (“Little Caesars”), was a business engaged in interstate commerce, providing food, beverages and other goods produced in and transported from other states to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

2. On or about February 1, 2013, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

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obstructed, delayed, and affected commerce and the movement of articles and commodities in commerce, by robbery, in that defendant EASTERLING knowingly and unlawfully took and obtained, and aided and abetted the unlawful taking and obtaining of, property, that is, money in the amount of approximately \$472, belonging to the Little Caesars, from a Little Caesars employee and in the presence of employees of the Little Caesars, against the employees’ will, by means of actual and threatened force, violence, and fear of injury, immediate and future, to their

persons and property, that is, by using and brandishing a handgun at a Little Caesar employee, and forcing the employee to turn over money from a cash register and a safe at gunpoint.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1951(a) and 2.

COUNT TWO

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about February 1, 2013, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

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knowingly used and carried, and aided and abetted the use and carrying of, a firearm, that is, a Taurus, Model PT140, semi-automatic handgun, serial no. SZA83576, loaded with eight rounds of live ammunition, during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, that is, robbery which interferes with interstate commerce, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1951(a) and 2, and brandished, and aided and abetted the brandishing of, that firearm.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 924(c)(1) and 2.

COUNT THREE

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about February 1, 2013, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

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having been convicted in a court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, knowingly possessed in and affecting interstate and foreign commerce a firearm, that is, a Taurus, Model PT140, semi-automatic handgun, serial no. SZA83576, loaded with eight rounds of live ammunition.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1).

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

As a result of the violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 924(c)(1) and 922(g)(1), set forth in this indictment, defendant

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shall forfeit to the United States of America the firearm and ammunition involved in the commission of such offense, including, but not limited to, a Taurus, Model PT140, semi-automatic handgun, serial no. SZA83576, loaded with eight rounds of live ammunition.

All pursuant to Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), and Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(d).

A TRUE BILL:

FOREPERSON

ZANE DAVID MEMEGER
United States Attorney