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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	Criminal No. 15 –
v.	:	18 U.S.C. § 371
KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK	:	INFORMATION

The defendant having waived in open Court prosecution by Indictment, the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey charges:

DEFENDANT AND CO-CONSPIRATORS

1. At all times relevant to this Information:

a. Defendant KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK was a resident of New Jersey and South Carolina and was not a licensed dealer, licensed manufacturer, or licensed importer of firearms.

b. Co-Conspirator 1 was a resident of New Jersey and South Carolina, and was not a licensed dealer, licensed manufacturer, or licensed importer of firearms.

c. Co-Conspirator 2 was a resident of New Jersey and South Carolina, and was not a licensed dealer, licensed manufacturer, or licensed importer of firearms.

d. Co-Conspirator 3 was a resident of New Jersey, and was not a licensed dealer, licensed manufacturer, or licensed importer of firearms.

e. Anthony Gilmore, a/k/a "Tone," was a resident of Lawnside, New Jersey and was not a licensed dealer, licensed manufacturer, or licensed importer of firearms.

THE CONSPIRACY

2. From in or about April 8, 2013, through on or about July 28, 2014, in Camden County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, the defendant,

KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK,

did knowingly and intentionally conspire and agree with Co-Conspirator 1, Co-Conspirator 2, Co-Conspirator 3, Anthony Gilmore, and others to engage in the business of dealing in firearms, while not being a federally licensed dealer, importer, or manufacturer of firearms, contrary to Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(a)(1)(A).

OBJECT OF THE CONSPIRACY

3. It was the object of the conspiracy to obtain firearms from pawn shops, gun shops, and other sources in the State of South Carolina, transport the firearms into the State of New Jersey, and resell the firearms for a profit in New Jersey.

MANNER AND MEANS OF THE CONSPIRACY

4. It was part of the conspiracy that defendant KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK, Co-Conspirator 1, and Co-Conspirator 2 obtained firearms in the State of South Carolina and elsewhere and transported the firearms to New Jersey for resale to firearms purchasers.

5. It was further part of the conspiracy that Co-Conspirator 1 and Co-Conspirator 2 obtained firearms by purchasing them from individuals who had purchased the firearms from gun shops and pawn shops (as well as other places) in the State of South Carolina. Defendant KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK, Co-Conspirator 1, and Co-Conspirator 2 then transported or arranged for the transportation of the firearms from South Carolina to New Jersey. At times, defendant KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK, Co-Conspirator 1, and Co-Conspirator 2 transported or

arranged for the transportation of the firearms from South Carolina to New Jersey by train, using the railroad service, Amtrak.

6. It was further part of the conspiracy that Co-Conspirator 3 brokered the sale of firearms obtained by Co-Conspirator 1 and Co-Conspirator 2 to a firearms purchaser. As part of the conspiracy, after Co-conspirator 3 had introduced the firearms purchaser to the co-conspirators, defendant KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK, Co-Conspirator 1, Co-Conspirator 2, Co-Conspirator 3, and Anthony Gilmore, sold firearms to the firearms purchaser. In general, defendant KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK brokered and arranged the sale of firearms to the firearms purchaser and communicated with the firearms purchaser when Co-Conspirator 1 was unavailable.

7. It was further part of the conspiracy that Anthony Gilmore helped defendant KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK, Co-Conspirator 1, and Co-Conspirator 2 deliver and resell firearms to the firearms purchaser.

8. It was further part of the conspiracy that defendant KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK, Co-Conspirator 1, Co-Conspirator 2, and Anthony Gilmore communicated with the firearms purchaser through the private message function on the social-networking site Facebook.com. In fact, on or about January 3, 2014, defendant KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK communicated with the firearms purchaser through Facebook.com in order to inform the firearms purchaser that: (a) Co-Conspirator 2 had recently been arrested; (b) Anthony Gilmore would be the firearms purchaser's new "point of contact" for the co-conspirators; and (c) KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK was arranging with Anthony Gilmore for the sale of a ballistic vest to the firearms purchaser. After additional communication on this topic between the firearms purchaser and the

co-conspirators in late January and February 2014, on or about March 7, 2014, Anthony Gilmore sold a ballistic vest to the firearms purchaser.

9. It was further part of the conspiracy that once defendant KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK or her co-conspirators sold a firearm to the firearms purchaser, they divided the profits made from the resale of the firearms which represented a portion of the proceeds of the conspiracy.

OVERT ACTS

10. In furtherance of the conspiracy and to effect its unlawful object, the following overt acts were committed in the District of New Jersey and elsewhere:

a. On or about April 11, 2014, defendant KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK sold or assisted Co-conspirator 1 and Anthony Gilmore in the sale of a Hi-Point, model C9, 9mm pistol bearing serial number 808132 (and eight rounds of 9mm ammunition) to the firearms purchaser.

b. After selling or assisting in the sale of the firearm listed above, defendant KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK divided the proceeds from the sale among her co-conspirators.

c. On or about December 17, 2013, defendant KATELYNN SCHIPPNICK communicated with the firearms purchaser through Facebook.com to broker and arrange for the sale of firearms from Co-conspirator 2 and Anthony Gilmore to the firearms purchaser. Specifically, beginning on or about December 17, 2013 and continuing through on or about December 30, 2013, defendant SCHIPPNICK communicated with the firearms purchaser to broker and arrange the January 2, 2014 sale of the following firearms from Co-Conspirator 2 and

Anthony Gilmore to the firearms purchaser: (a) a Raven Arms, model P25, .25 caliber pistol bearing serial number 372880; (b) a Lorcin model L9, 9mm pistol bearing an obliterated serial number; (c) a Marlin, model 60, .22 caliber rifle bearing serial number 27291297; and (d) a Savage, model Mark II, .22 caliber rifle bearing serial number 0603525.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 371.

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