

### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

# INDICTMENT FOR THEFT OF PUBLIC MONEY AND AGGRAVATED IDENTITY THEFT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA \* CRIMINAL NO.:

v. \* SECTION:

NISIKA WEST \* VIOLATIONS: 18 U.S.C. § 641

18 U.S.C. § 1028A

18 U.S.C. § 2

The Grand Jury charges that:

## COUNTS 1-3 (Theft of Public Money)

On or about the date listed below for each count, within the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, the defendant, **NISIKA WEST**, did steal, purloin, and knowingly convert to her own use and the use of another, money of the United States, namely, the approximate amounts listed for each count below, in funds administered by the Department of the Treasury in the form of a federal tax refund, which funds said defendant knew she was not entitled to receive:

Count	Date	Taxpayer	Amount
1	March 30, 2012	J.C.	\$1,293.00
2	April 11, 2012	E.J.	\$1,324.00
3	May 2, 2012	V.M.	\$1,443.00

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 641 and 2.

# COUNTS 4-6 (Aggravated Identity Theft)

On or about the date listed below for each count, within the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, the defendant, **NISIKA WEST**, did knowingly transfer, possess, and use the means of identification of another person, without lawful authority, during and in relation to the offense in this Indictment described as Related Count, knowing that the means of identification belonged to an actual person, identified by the initials listed below:

Count	Date	Taxpayer	Related Count
4	March 15, 2012	J.C.	1, in violation of 18 U.S.C. 641
5	March 28, 2012	E.J.	2, in violation of 18 U.S.C. 641
6	March 28, 2012	V.M.	3, in violation of 18 U.S.C. 641

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1028A and 2

#### **NOTICE OF FORFEITURE**

- 1. The allegations of Counts 1 through 3 of this Indictment are realleged and incorporated by reference as though set forth fully herein for the purpose of alleging forfeiture to the United States of America pursuant to the provisions of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 641 and 981(a)(1)(C), made applicable through Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).
- 2. As a result of the offenses alleged in Counts 1 through 3, defendant, **NISIKA WEST**, shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), made applicable through Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any and all property, real or personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to violations of Title 18, United States Code, Section 641.

3. If any of the property subject to forfeiture, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;

b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;

c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;

d. has been substantially diminished in value; or

e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be subdivided without difficulty;

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of said defendant up to the value of the above forfeitable property.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 641 and 981(a)(1)(C), made applicable through Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

A TRUE BILL:

FOREPERSON

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New Orleans, Louisiana September 18, 2015