

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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CRIMINAL NO. 18-179

v.

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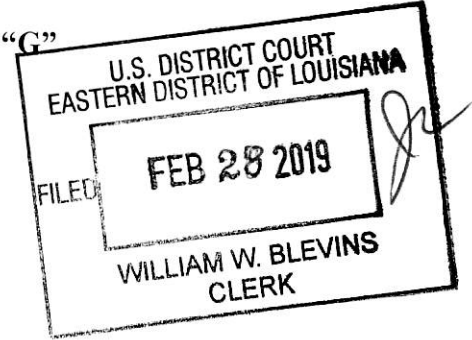
SECTION: "G"

ANDREA HARRISON

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FACTUAL BASIS



The defendant, **ANDREA HARRISON (HARRISION)** has indicated that he intends to plead guilty as charged to Count One of the Indictment against him, that is, false statements, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

The United States and defendant **HARRISON** do hereby stipulate and agree that the following facts are true and correct and that, should this matter have proceeded to trial, the government would have proven them beyond a reasonable doubt, through the introduction of competent testimony and admissible tangible and documentary exhibits. This Factual Basis does not attempt to set forth all of the facts known to the United States at this time. The limited purpose of this Factual Basis is to demonstrate that there exists a sufficient legal basis for defendant **HARRISON's** guilty plea. By their signatures below, the parties expressly agree that there is a factual basis for the guilty plea that the defendant will tender. The parties also agree that this Factual Basis may, but need not, be used by the United States Probation Office and the Court in determining the applicable advisory guideline range under the United States Sentencing Guidelines or the appropriate sentence under 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a).

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides flexible grants to help cities, counties, and states recover from presidentially-declared disasters, especially in low and moderate income areas. Funds are subject to availability of supplemental appropriations. In

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this case, HUD provided funding to the State of Louisiana's Office of Community Development (OCD). OCD utilized these funds to administer the Small Rental Property Program (SRPP). SRPP provides incentives to owners of small scale rental properties to help restore their damaged units and offer them at affordable rents to income eligible tenants.

HARRISON was a grant recipient for four properties in the SRPP. Each property received a forgivable loan under the program for an amount based on various features, such as bedroom count and selected Area Median Income tier. **HARRISON** received a grant in the form of a forgivable loan to repair two duplexes located at 2258-2260 and 2262-2264 N. Johnson Street, New Orleans, Louisiana. **HARRISON** received \$84,000 to repair the property and agreed to rent the property at affordable rates to low income families. **HARRISON** lived at the 2262 N. Johnson Street unit, but provided falsified documents to the SRPP misrepresenting that a low income tenant lived in the unit. Specifically, on October 22, 2015, **HARRISON** submitted a Lease Rollover Certification in the name of an individual known as "D.W." falsely stating that this low-income individual was living at 2262 N. Johnson, when in truth and in fact, **HARRISON** was living in the property himself. Neighbors and others would be called to testify that **HARRISON** lived in the residence. The individual known as "D.W." would testify that he did not live at the residence. Special Agents of HUD would testify that when they interviewed **HARRISON**, he initially pretended to be "D.W." and later admitted his true identity.


APPROVED AND AGREED TO:



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