

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA * **CRIMINAL NO. 20-036**
v. * **SECTION: I**
CATHOLINE HAMMETT *
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FACTUAL BASIS

The defendant, **CATHOLINE HAMMETT (HAMMETT)**, has indicated that she intends to plead guilty as charged in Count One of the Indictment against her, that is, bank robbery, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2113(a).

The United States and defendant **HAMMETT** 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 **HAMMETT's** guilty plea.

On or about January 8, 2020, **HAMMETT** entered the Iberia Bank located at 3412 St. Charles Ave. in New Orleans, Louisiana. **HAMMETT** handed the teller a note demanding that the teller give **HAMMETT** all of the money in the drawer, and to do so fast because **HAMMETT** had a bomb and did not want to hurt anyone. The teller complied with the demand and provided

HAMMETT with approximately \$633 of money belonging to and in the care, custody, control, management and possession of Iberia Bank. The deposits of Iberia Bank are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Special Agents of the FBI canvassed the area around the bank and interviewed witnesses who saw HAMMETT leaving the bank after the robbery. Witnesses also told the FBI where HAMMETT resided. A witness living at the residence confirmed that HAMMETT was present the night before, and left the residence shortly before the robbery clad in clothing matching that worn by the bank robber. The FBI obtained consent to search the residence and found a note in HAMMETT's belongings similar to that used in the robbery. The FBI then reviewed security camera footage from the lobby of the residence and observed HAMMETT leaving the lobby shortly before the robbery, clad in the same clothing observed during the robbery.

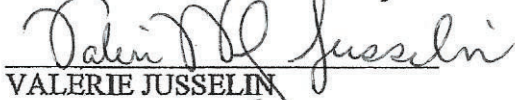
The witness then called HAMMETT and asked her to come back to the residence. When HAMMETT arrived, she was arrested and advised of her rights. In a subsequent interview at the FBI New Orleans Field Office, HAMMETT provided a full confession.

APPROVED AND AGREED TO:


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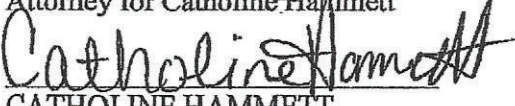
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CATHOLINE HAMMETT

Defendant

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