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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

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BILL OF INFORMATION FOR USE OF AN INTERSTATE
FACILITY WITH INTENT TO CARRY ON UNLAWFUL ACTIVITY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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CRIMINAL NO.

20-00135

v.

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SECTION:

SECT. B MAG. 5

SONJA DYSON EVANS

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VIOLATIONS: 18 U.S.C. § 1952(a)(3)

SHAWANDA DOVE

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18 U.S.C. § 2

a/k/a "Shawanda McKay"

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a/k/a "Shawanda Wilson Dove Cortez"

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The United States Attorney charges that:

COUNT 1

From on or about January 2016 through January 2017, in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, the defendants, **SONJA DYSON EVANS and SHAWANDA DOVE, a/k/a Shawanda McKay, a/k/a Shawanda Wilson Dove Cortez**, aided and abetted by each other and others known and unknown, used a facility in interstate commerce, namely a cellphone, with the intent to promote, manage, establish, carry on and facilitate the promotion, management, establishment and carrying on of an unlawful activity, that is, bribery, in violation of Louisiana Revised Statute 14:118, and thereafter performed and attempted to perform an act to promote, manage, establish and carry on, and to facilitate the promotion, management, establishment and

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carrying on of such unlawful activity, in that **SONJA DYSON EVANS**, a Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office, Criminal Records Division Supervisor, solicited and accepted bribe money from **SHAWANDA DOVE, a/k/a Shawanda McKay, a/k/a Shawanda Wilson Dove Cortez**, and others seeking fraudulent bonds for the release of incarcerated individuals.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1952(a)(3) and 2.

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

1. The allegations contained in Count 1 of this Bill of Information are incorporated by reference as though set forth fully herein for the purpose of alleging forfeiture to the United States.

2. As a result of the offense alleged in Count 1, defendants, **SONJA DYSON EVANS and SHAWANDA DOVE, a/k/a Shawanda McKay, a/k/a Shawanda Wilson Dove Cortez**, 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 property, real and personal, that constitutes or is derived, directly or indirectly, from gross proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense as a result of the violations of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1952(a)(3) and 2.

3. If any of the property described above as being subject to forfeiture, as a result of any act or omission of the defendants:

- a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- b. has been transferred, 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;

the United States shall seek a money judgment and, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), forfeiture of any other property of the defendant up to the value of said property.

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