

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

ANITA WILLENE HOBODY

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CRIMINAL NO. 22- 67

SECTION: "E"

FACTUAL BASIS

Defendant ANITA WILLENE HOBODY ("HOBODY") has agreed to plead guilty to the sole count of the Bill of Information. Should this matter proceed to trial, the United States would prove beyond a reasonable doubt, through credible testimony and reliable evidence, the following facts. Unless stated otherwise, the following acts occurred within the jurisdiction of the Eastern District of Louisiana.

During the times material to the Bill of Information, HOBODY resided in or around LaPlace, Louisiana, which is in the Eastern District of Louisiana.

HOBODY worked for approximately 15 years as the bookkeeper for First Baptist Church in LaPlace, as well as their on-site daycare, Wee Care. HOBODY handled payroll and procurement.

When HOBODY resigned in February of 2021, another employee started reviewing the church's Capital One statements and saw that HOBODY had been embezzling money since at least 2017.

Agents from the United States Secret Service interviewed HOBODY at her home on February 24, 2021. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Financial records for bank accounts owned by the church show that **HOBDY** embezzled at least \$175,124.26. In addition to the credit card expenses, **HOBDY** also transferred funds out of the church's bank account for her own personal use.

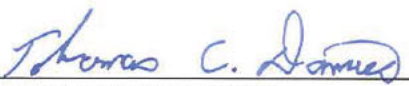
Each time that **HOBDY** used the church's credit card or transferred funds out of its account, it caused an electronic communication to be issued by the church's bank. Each of those electronic communications traveled in interstate commerce.

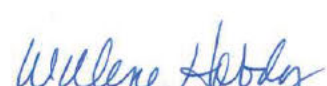
From in or around January 2011 through in or around February 2021, for the purpose of executing and attempting to execute the scheme and artifice to defraud set forth above, **HOBDY** did transmit and cause to be transmitted, by means of wire communications in interstate commerce, certain electronic writings and signals.

Limited Nature of Factual Basis

This proffer of evidence is not intended to constitute a complete statement of all facts known by **HOBDY**, and it is not a complete statement of all facts described by **HOBDY** to the government. Rather, it is a minimum statement of facts intended to prove the necessary factual predicate for her guilty plea. The limited purpose of this proffer is to demonstrate that there exists a sufficient legal basis for **HOBDY** plea of guilty to the charged offense.


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 NICHOLAS D. MOSES Date
 Assistant United States Attorney


 _____ 3/11/22
 THOMAS D'AMICO Date
 Counsel for ~~Katie LaRoche~~ *for*


 _____ 2/11/22
 ANITA WILLENE HOBDY Date
 Defendant