

United States v. George Popescu
Criminal Docket #CR-24-0092, USAO #2020R01019

Before the Honorable Sanket J. Bulsara, United States Magistrate Judge Eastern District of New York, 225 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, New York 11201.

In 2024, the government charged George Popescu with violating the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (“FIFRA”). FIFRA regulates the production, sale, distribution, and use of pesticides in the United States. Popescu sold disinfecting wipes under the names “Carmel” and “Vega,” which were not properly registered with the Environmental Protection Agency and falsely claimed that they would kill the COVID-19 virus.

On September 11, 2024, the defendant was sentenced to one year of probation and 100 hours of community service for violating FIFRA, a misdemeanor violation. The Court left victim restitution open for 60 days so victims can still submit loss affidavits to the Court. If you would like to submit your financial losses related to the crime with your signature, please mail to U.S. Probation Officer Brian Woo, 27 Johnson Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201.