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FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

VENUE: SAN FRANCISCO

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

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CHRISTINA ANN MOBLEY

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DEFENDANT(S).

INDICTMENT

18 U.S.C. § 1341 – Mail Fraud; 18 U.S.C. § 1343 – Wire Fraud.

A true bill.	
/s/ Foreperson of the Grar	nd Jury
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Hon. Laurel Beeler, U.S. Magistrate Judge

ISMAIL J. RAMSEY (CABN 189820) United States Attorney

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SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) CASE NO. CR25-00030 CRB
Plaintiff, v. CHRISTINA ANN MOBLEY, a/k/a "Kris Mobley,"	 VIOLATIONS: 18 U.S.C. § 1341 – Mail Fraud; 18 U.S.C. § 1343 – Wire Fraud; 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 982; 28 U.S.C. § 2461 Forfeiture Allegation
Defendant.) SAN FRANCISCO VENUE))

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The Grand Jury charges:

Introductory Allegations

At all times relevant to this Indictment:

1. The defendant, CHRISTINA ANN MOBLEY, resided in Fortuna, California, and served as the business manager for a construction company (the "Victim Company") based in Fortuna, California. MOBLEY had been employed by the Victim Company starting in the early 1990s and was employed by the Victim Company into 2025. In 2019 or 2020, the bookkeeper for Victim Company retired, and MOBLEY assumed that person's responsibilities. MOBLEY managed the Victim Company's accounting and bookkeeping including preparing and entering accounting entries into the firm's accounting software. MOBLEY also assisted with bill payments, payroll taxes, employee health

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benefits, government contracts, and a variety of other tasks. MOBLEY was a trusted employee of the Victim Company, and she was considered a valuable member of the team running the company.

- 2. The Victim Company maintained a bank account at Umpqua Bank, ending in 9019 ("Umpqua account x9019"). The Victim Company had several business credit cards through Umpqua for its employees. The Victim Company also held a business credit card at Capital One, account ending in 8851.
- 3. MOBLEY maintained at least two personal credit card accounts at Capital One, accounts ending in 2811 and 6943 ("Capital One account x2811" and "Capital One account x6943").
- 4. Beginning not later than in or about January 2022 and continuing at least until in or about November 2024, MOBLEY executed a scheme to defraud the Victim Company of more than \$500,000 for the benefit of MOBLEY.
- 5. This scheme took the form of writing checks from the Victim's company account at Umpqua Bank and sending them through the United States mail to Capital One. Instead of having those checks applied to the Victim Company's business credit card account at Capital One, MOBLEY directed Capital One to apply those checks to one or both of her personal credit card accounts at Capital One.
- 6. The scheme to defraud also involved MOBLEY issuing Automated Clearing House ("ACH") electronic payments from the Victim Company's bank account at Umpqua to Capital One. However, instead of having those ACH payments applied to the Victim Company's business credit card account, MOBLEY sent those payments to her personal credit card accounts at Capital One.
- 7. The scheme to defraud also included MOBLEY issuing ACH electronic payments from the Victim Company's bank account at Umpqua to an additional credit card company, Credit One Bank. The Victim Company had no credit cards through Credit One Bank. MOBLEY had a credit card account at Credit One Bank, and she used the ACH payments from the Victim Company's bank account at Umpqua to make payments to that credit card account.
- 8. The scheme to defraud also included MOBLEY's use of the Victim Company's business credit card at Capital One for personal expenses. These included cash advances at casinos, airfare and hotel expenses for personal travel, and other non-business expenses that were not authorized by the

1 Victim Company.

- 9. The scheme to defraud also involved MOBLEY issuing checks to herself from the Victim Company's bank account at Umpqua. The Victim Company had several blank, pre-signed checks in its office to pay for unexpected expenses in the absence of the Victim Company's owners. MOBLEY took blank checks and issued them to herself. These checks MOBLEY issued were unauthorized by the Victim Company and were unknown to the Victim Company's owners.
- 10. The scheme to defraud also involved MOBLEY falsely adding vacation time to herself in the Victim Company's payroll system. MOBLEY directed another employee of the Victim Company to cash out the value of some of that vacation time and issue payment for it to MOBLEY.
- 11. The scheme to defraud also included MOBLEY issuing payroll checks to herself.

 MOBLEY caused payroll checks to be issued to her for hours that exceeded her regular hours as well as duplicate payroll checks and checks that were unrelated to her regular payroll.
- 12. The scheme to defraud also included MOBLEY issuing bonus payments to herself that exceeded bonus payments authorized by the owners of the Victim Company.

COUNTS ONE THROUGH THREE: (18 U.S.C. § 1341– Mail Fraud)

- 13. The factual allegations in Paragraphs 1 through 12 of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated herein as if set forth in full.
- 14. Beginning no later than in or about January 2022, and continuing through in or about July 2023, in the Northern District of California, and elsewhere, the defendant,

CHRISTINA ANN MOBLEY,

with the intent to defraud, devised and willfully participated in, with knowledge of its fraudulent nature, the above-described scheme and artifice to defraud and obtain money by materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

The Scheme and Artifice to Defraud

- 15. In furtherance of the scheme and artifice to defraud, MOBLEY used a variety of means and methods, including the following:
- 16. As part of the scheme to defraud, MOBLEY obtained checks from the Victim Company's account at Umpqua, Umpqua account x9019. MOBLEY filled out the payee line of those checks to

Capital One. MOBLEY directed Capital One to apply funds from those checks to MOBLEY's personal credit cards at Capital One, Capital One accounts x2811 and x6943.

- 17. As part of the scheme to defraud, between in or about January 2022 and continuing through in or about July 2023, MOBLEY caused at least 15 checks totaling approximately \$67,100 to be issued from the Victim Company's account at Umpqua, sent through the mail, and applied to her personal credit card accounts held at Capital One.
- 18. MOBLEY issued the checks drawn on the Victim Company's account knowing that the payments were not authorized by the company or its owners and that they exceeded the amounts she was legitimately owed by the company for her salary and expenses.

Execution of the Scheme

19. On or about the dates set forth in the separate counts below, in the Northern District of California and elsewhere, the defendant,

CHRISTINA ANN MOBLEY,

for the purpose of executing the above scheme and artifice to defraud, and attempting to do so, did knowingly place or caused to be placed in an authorized depository for mail matter, to be sent and delivered by the United States Postal Service, according to the directions thereon, an envelope containing mail matter, that is, the checks listed below, each of which represents a separate count of the Indictment:

COUNT	DATE	TRANSACTION	AMOUNT
ONE	11/14/2022	Check 64673 for \$5,475.00 from Victim Company's Umpqua account mailed to MOBLEY's credit card account at Capital One.	\$5,475.00
		MOBLEY directed payment of \$3,200 to Capital One account x2811 and \$2,275 to Capital One account x6943	
TWO	4/20/2023	Check 66864 for \$5,662.46 from Victim Company's Umpqua account mailed to MOBLEY's credit card account at Capital One.	\$5,662.46
		MOBLEY directed payment of \$3,541.11 to Capital One account x2811 and \$2,121.35 to Capital One account x6943	

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COUNT	DATE	TRANSACTION	AMOUNT
THREE	7/27/2023	Check 1884 for \$4,727.03 from the Victim Company's account mailed to MOBLEY's credit card account at Capital One.	\$4,727.03
		MOBLEY directed payment of \$2,333.51 to Capital One account x2811 and \$2,393.52 to Capital One account x6943	

Each in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1341.

COUNTS THREE THROUGH TEN:

(18 U.S.C. § 1343 – Wire Fraud)

- 20. The factual allegations in Paragraphs 1 through 19 of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated herein as if set forth in full.
- 21. Beginning no later than on or about August 9, 2022, and continuing through on or about November 6, 2024, in the Northern District of California, and elsewhere, the defendant,

CHRISTINA ANN MOBLEY,

with the intent to defraud, devised and willfully participated in, with knowledge of its fraudulent nature, the above-described scheme and artifice to defraud and obtain money by materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

The Scheme and Artifice to Defraud

- 22. In furtherance of the scheme and artifice to defraud, MOBLEY used a variety of means and methods, including the following:
- 23. As part of the scheme to defraud, MOBLEY directed Victim Company's account at Umpqua, Umpqua account x9019, to issue Automated Clearing House ("ACH") electronic payments to Capital One. However, instead of having those ACH payments applied to the Victim Company's business credit card account, MOBLEY sent those payments to one her personal credit card accounts, Capital One accounts x2811 and x6943.
- 24. As part of the scheme to defraud, between as early as August 2022 and continuing through November 2024, MOBLEY issued approximately 107 ACH payments totaling approximately \$299,700 from the Victim Company's account at Umpqua to her personal credit card accounts at Capital One.
 - 25. MOBLEY caused the ACH payments to be made from the Victim Company's Umpqua

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account knowing that the payments were not authorized by the company or its owners and that they exceeded the amounts she was legitimately owed by the company for her salary and expenses.

Execution of the Scheme

26. On or about the dates set forth in the separate counts below, in the Northern District of California and elsewhere, the defendant,

CHRISTINA ANN MOBLEY,

for the purpose of executing the scheme and artifice referred to above, and attempting to do so, did knowingly transmit and cause to be transmitted in interstate and foreign commerce, by means of a wire communication, certain writings, signs, signals, pictures, and sounds; specifically, Automated Clearing House ("ACH") electronic payments from Umpqua Bank to Capital One, which transmitted to and from interstate commerce and which took the form of the following financial transactions, among others, on or about the following dates, each transaction constituting a separate Count of this Indictment:

COUNT	DATE	TRANSACTION	AMOUNT
FOUR	8/9/2022	\$3,344.86 ACH payment from the Victim Company's Umpqua Bank account to MOBLEY's Capital One account x2811	\$3,344.86
FIVE	11/1/2023	\$2,645.38 ACH payment from the Victim Company's Umpqua Bank account to MOBLEY's Capital One account x6943	\$2,645.38
SIX	11/6/2023	\$3,301.89 ACH payment from the Victim Company's Umpqua Bank account to MOBLEY's Capital One account x2811	\$3,301.89
SEVEN	11/10/2023	\$2,754.48 ACH payment from the Victim Company's Umpqua Bank account to MOBLEY's Capital One account x6943	\$2,754.48
EIGHT	12/28/2023	\$2,011.84 ACH payment from the Victim Company's Umpqua Bank account to MOBLEY's Capital One account x6943	\$2,011.84
NINE	1/22/2024	\$3,548.71 ACH payment from the Victim Company's Umpqua Bank account to MOBLEY's Capital One account x2811	\$3,548.71
TEN	11/1/2024	\$3,413.68 ACH payment from the Victim Company's Umpqua Bank account to MOBLEY's Capital One account x2811	\$3,413.68

Each in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343.

1 FORFEITURE ALLEGATION: (18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 982; 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c)) 2 The allegations contained in this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference for the 3 purpose of alleging forfeiture pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) and Title 4 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c). 5 Upon conviction for any of the offenses set forth in this Indictment, the defendant, 6 CHRISTINA ANN MOBLEY, 7 shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) and 8 Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), all property, real or personal, constituting, or derived 9 from proceeds the defendant obtained directly and indirectly, as the result of those violations. If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant: 10 cannot be located upon exercise of due diligence; 11 a. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party; 12 h. 13 c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court; 14 d. has been substantially diminished in value; or 15 has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without e. 16 difficulty, 17 the United States of America shall be entitled to forfeiture of substitute property pursuant to Title 21, 18 United States Code, Section 853(p), as incorporated by Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c). 19 All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), and Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 32.2. 20 DATED: February 05, 2025 A TRUE BILL. 21 22 23 **FOREPERSON** 24 ISMAIL J. RAMSEY 25 United States Attorney 26 /s/ Kevin J. Barry 27 KEVIN J. BARRY 28 Assistant United States Attorney

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CRIMINAL COVER SHEET

<u>Instructions</u>: Effective November 1, 2016, this Criminal Cover Sheet must be completed and submitted, along with the Defendant Information Form, for each new criminal case.

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Is This Case Under Seal?	Yes	No 🗸
Total Number of Defendants:	1 🗸	2-7 8 or more
Does this case involve ONLY charges under 8 U.S.C. § 1325 and/or 1326?	Yes	No 🗸
Venue (Per Crim. L.R. 18-1):	SF 🗸	OAK SJ
Is this a potential high-cost case?	Yes	No 🗸
Is any defendant charged with a death-penalty-eligible crime?	Yes	No 🗸
Is this a RICO Act gang case?	Yes	No 🗸
Assigned AUSA (Lead Attorney): Kevin J. Barry		Date Submitted: February 5, 2025
Comments:		

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