



U.S. Department of Justice

District of Nebraska

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October 22, 2025

Re: Case Number 2024R00004 and Court Docket Number 24-CR-00140

Dear

The enclosed information is provided by the United States Department of Justice Victim Notification System (VNS). As a victim witness professional, my role is to assist you with information and services during the prosecution of this case. I am contacting you because you were identified by law enforcement as a victim or potential victim during the investigation of the above criminal case.

The indictment alleges the defendant Brian Castillo and others knowingly combined, conspired, and agreed with each other to execute a scheme and artifice to defraud and obtain money in the custody or control of various financial institutions by false and: fraudulent pretenses. On or about January 3, 2023, and continuing to July 30, 2024, in the District of Nebraska and elsewhere, defendant Castillo and co-conspirators fraudulently obtained checks from theft or receipt of stolen mail matter. The defendant would then create a counterfeit fraudulent check and alter the original payee and or the amount of the check and replace it with names and identities of individuals whose banking account information other co-conspirators had access to.

Based on an investigation conducted by the United States Postal Inspection Service, you have been identified as a victim or potential victim of the above matter.

If you have experienced financial loss due to the defendant's crime. We recommend contacting your bank or financial institution to report or dispute any fraudulent checks or charges to your account. We cannot promise any repayment of your loss; however, your loss is very important to us.

If you wish to request restitution for unreimbursed financial losses, (that has not been reimbursed or covered by your bank or financial institution), please mail your request with supporting documentation to the U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Nebraska, by **November 14, 2025**. Do **not** send requests to the Postal Inspection Service office address that is on the envelope or staple your documents. Mail all materials to the address below.

**U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Nebraska, Attn: Makayla Heard
1620 Dodge St., Ste.1400
Omaha, NE 68102.**

Due to the large number of victims associated with this case this letter/ notice to you is the only written notice that will be provided, as it would be impracticable to mail all notifications via postage. Future case updates will be posted on the U.S. Attorneys Office, District of Nebraska website.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-ne/victimwitness-assistance/information-victims-large-cases>

If you have questions please contact the U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Nebraska's Victim Specialist, Makayla Heard 402-661-3701.

Reminder: Please contact our office prior to appearing for this proceeding. It is not uncommon for the court schedule to change before we can notify you of the change in a timely manner. Your contact may save you an unnecessary trip to court. Email notification is a way to eliminate the delay in time of waiting for regular mail service. Through the Victim Notification System (VNS) we will continue to provide you with updated scheduling and event information as the case proceeds through the criminal justice system. You may obtain current information about this case on the VNS website at <https://www.notify.usdoj.gov> or from the VNS Call Center at 1-866-DOJ-4YOU (1-866-365-4968) (TDD/TTY: 1-866-228-4619) (International: 1-502-213-2767). In addition, you may use the Call Center or Internet to update your contact information and/or change your decision about participation in the notification program.

For many VNS registrants email will provide the most timely notification. VNS does not currently have an email address for you. You can provide VNS an email address by accessing the VNS Internet Web page using the login information provided below. By entering your email as part of the VNS registration process future notifications will be delivered by email, except in rare circumstances when you might also receive a letter from VNS. In order to continue to receive notifications, it is your responsibility to keep your contact information current.

You will use your Victim Identification Number (VIN) and Personal Identification Number (PIN) anytime you contact the Call Center and the first time you log into VNS on the website. If you are receiving notifications with multiple victim ID/PIN codes please contact the VNS Call Center. In addition, the first time you access the VNS website, you will be prompted to enter your last name (or business name) as currently contained in VNS. The name you should enter is

Remember, VNS is an automated system and cannot answer questions. If you have other questions which involve this matter, please contact this office at the number listed above.

Sincerely,

Lesley A. Woods
United States Attorney



MaKayla Heard
Victim Witness Specialist

Enclosures

Victim Impact Statement

Financial Statement

I. DAMAGES (Attach Supporting Documents for All Damages Listed i.e. receipts, repair bills etc.)

a. List property lost, destroyed or damaged and its value.

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

b. List Medical expenses relating to physical, psychiatric, or psychological care.

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

c. Physical/Occupational Therapy Expenses:

\$ _____

d. List Lost Income or Wages:

\$ _____

e. List miscellaneous expenses – transportation, child care etc.

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

TOTAL LOSS:

\$ _____

II. REIMBURSEMENT RECEIVED (Attach Supporting Documents)

a. Property Insurance:

\$ _____

b. Medical Insurance:

\$ _____

c. Other – List Source & Amount

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT:

\$ _____

Restitution Form

The following information is **NOT** a part of your Victim Impact Statement. This form will be provided to the Court if restitution is ordered as a part of the defendant(s) sentence.

Complete the information below if restitution is being considered on your behalf.

PLEASE PRINT

United States v. _____ Docket #: _____

Name: _____

Insurance Claim # (if applicable) _____

Address of restitution recipient: _____
(Address)

(Address)

(City/State/Zip)

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____

It is your responsibility to notify, in writing, the Clerk of the District Court of any address change. Mail address changes to:

Clerk of the U.S. District Court
111 South 18th Plza., Ste. 1152
Omaha, NE 68102