

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon.

v. : Criminal No.

GEORGE BELLO : Title 18, United States Code,
Section 1001 and Section 2

I N F O R M A T I O N

(Making and Using False OSHA Documents)

The defendant having waived in open court prosecution by Indictment, the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey charges:

At all times relevant to this Information:

Introduction

1. The Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) was passed in 1970 to ensure safe and healthful working conditions for working men and women. The OSHA Administration, a division of the Department of Labor, was created to set and enforce job site standards and to provide training, education and assistance to both employers and their employees. OSHA provided outreach training programs which increased the competence of those engaged in, among other professions, various aspects of the construction industry.

2. An "OSHA 30 Hour" card certified that the holder had completed 30 hours of OSHA regulations and standards training, as set forth in 29, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1926 [General Safety and Health Provisions].

3. The Rocky Mountain Education Center, located in Red Rocks, Colorado, administered OSHA Programs. Classes were permitted to be conducted at various locations around the United States. Frederick T. Prinz was certified to provide training for OSHA's Outreach Training Program (hereinafter OTP) classes in construction safety and health training. Prinz, with the assistance of defendant GEORGE BELLO, issued and dispensed for a fee authentic "OSHA 30 Hour" cards to carpenters and other construction workers, in New Jersey, who had neither taken, nor passed, the required safety training courses.

4. From on or about February 12, 2011 through on or about July 28, 2012, in the District of New Jersey and elsewhere, the defendant,

GEORGE BELLO,

in a matter within the jurisdiction of the executive branch of the United States, namely, the United States Department of Labor, knowingly and willfully made materially false, fictitious, and fraudulent statements and representations, and made and used false writings and documents knowing them to

contain materially false, fictitious, and fraudulent statements and entries, to wit: fraudulent construction industry OTP certification forms, namely OSHA 30 Hour cards.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001 and Section 2.



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