

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Crim. No.  
 :  
 v. : 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(A)  
 : 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(B)  
 CARLOS M. SANTIAGO : 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1)

**I N F O R M A T I O N**

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

**COUNT ONE**

(Possession with Intent to Distribute Fentanyl)

On or about October 24, 2022, in Essex County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, the defendant,

**CARLOS M. SANTIAGO,**

did knowingly and intentionally possess with intent to distribute 400 grams or more of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of fentanyl, a Schedule II controlled substance.

In violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(A).

**COUNT TWO**

(Possession with Intent to Distribute Cocaine)

On or about October 24, 2022, in Essex County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, the defendant,

**CARLOS M. SANTIAGO,**

did knowingly and intentionally possess with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine, a Schedule II controlled substance.

In violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(B).

**COUNT THREE**

(Possession of Firearms by a Convicted Felon)

On or about October 24, 2022, in Essex County, in the District of New Jersey and elsewhere, the defendant,

**CARLOS M. SANTIAGO,**

knowing that he had previously been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, did knowingly possess firearms, namely: one H&K, model HK416D, .22 caliber rifle (s/n: obliterated, restored to HB049773); one Taurus, Model G3C, 9mm pistol (s/n: ADA871168); one Smith & Wesson, Model SD40, 40 caliber pistol (s/n: obliterated, restored to FDX2791) and two magazines; one Smith & Wesson, model M&P Shield, 9mm pistol (s/n: HXY3836); one Girsan, Model MC 28, 9mm pistol (s/n obliterated) and a 15-round magazine; and one American Tactical, model DF12, 12 gauge shotgun (s/n: 12PA21-5242), and the firearms were in and affecting interstate commerce.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1).

**FORFEITURE ALLEGATION AS TO COUNTS ONE AND TWO**

As a result of committing the controlled substance offenses charged in Counts One and Two of this Information, the defendant,

**CARLOS M. SANTIAGO,**

shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853, any and all property constituting or derived from any proceeds obtained directly or indirectly as a result of the offenses charged in Counts One and Two of the Information, including any and all property used or intended to be used in any manner or part to commit and to facilitate the commission of the offenses charged in Counts One and Two of this Information, including but not limited to, approximately \$30,917 in United States currency seized on or about October 24, 2022.

**FORFEITURE ALLEGATION AS TO COUNT THREE**

As a result of committing the firearms offense charged in Count Three of this Information, the defendant,

**CARLOS M. SANTIAGO,**

shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d)(1) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), any firearms and ammunition involved in or used in the commission of such offense, including but not limited to:

- 1) H&K, model HK416D, .22 caliber rifle (s/n: obliterated, restored to HB049773);
- 2) Taurus, Model G3C, 9mm pistol (s/n: ADA871168);
- 3) Smith & Wesson, Model SD40, 40 caliber pistol (s/n: obliterated, restored to FDX2791) and two magazines;
- 4) Smith & Wesson, model M&P Shield, 9mm pistol (s/n: HXY3836);
- 5) Girsan, Model MC 28, 9mm pistol (s/n obliterated) and a 15-round magazine;
- 6) American Tactical, model DF12, 12-gauge shotgun (s/n: 12PA21-5242) and 25 rounds of Winchester shotgun ammunition;
- 7) 50 (fifty) .45 caliber full metal jacket bullets;
- 8) 170 (one hundred and seventy) assorted full metal jacket bullets; and
- 9) 50 (fifty) .40 caliber full metal jacket bullets.

**SUBSTITUTE ASSETS PROVISION (APPLICABLE TO ALL COUNTS)**

If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- (a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- (b) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;
- (c) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- (d) has been substantially diminished in value; or
- (e) has been commingled with other property which cannot be subdivided without difficulty,

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of the defendant up to the value of the above forfeitable property.

  
PHILIP R. SELLINGER  
United States Attorney

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