

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon.  
:   
v. : Crim. No. 18-  
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: 18 U.S.C. § 666 & 981(a)(1)(C); &  
PHILIP D. ZACCHE : 28 U.S.C. § 2461

INFORMATION

1. Defendant PHILIP D. ZACCHE ("defendant ZACCHE") was a police officer in the Jersey City Police Department from in or about December 1979 to in or about June 2017. From in or about 2005 to in or about 2012, he was a Captain and the North District Commander. From in or about December 2012 to in or about October 2014, he was a Deputy Chief. From in or about October 2014 until in or about June 2017, he was the Chief of Police. As a Jersey City police officer, defendant ZACCHE was available to perform off-duty work as a police officer.

2. At all times relevant to this Information:

A. The Jersey City Housing Authority ("JCHA") was a public housing authority that was responsible for the administration of certain housing units in Jersey City. Some of the units that the JCHA administered were located at the Marion Gardens housing complex. The JCHA hired and paid Jersey City

police officers to provide security at the Marion Gardens housing complex.

B. The JCHA received benefits in excess of \$10,000 in each of the calendar years 2010 through 2014 under federal programs involving grants, contracts, subsidies, loans guarantees, insurance and other forms of federal assistance, within the meaning of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 666(b) and 666(d)(5).

C. Defendant ZACCHE was a part-time employee of the JCHA.

3. From in or about January 2010 to in or about May 2014, in Hudson County, in the District of New Jersey and elsewhere, defendant

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did knowingly and intentionally embezzle, steal, obtain by fraud, misapply, and without authority knowingly convert to the use of other persons other than the rightful owner \$5,000 or more in money owned by, and under the care, custody and control of the JCHA.

4. It was part of this fraudulent activity that defendant ZACCHE signed up to work certain security shifts at the Marion Gardens housing complex. On many occasions, defendant ZACCHE was not present at the JCHA site where he was supposed to provide security. Nevertheless, he filled out time sheets

representing that he completed the security shift to which he was assigned. As a result, defendant ZACCHE sought and received compensation from the JCHA, totaling approximately \$31,713 (including a loss of approximately \$5,797 between on or about September 30, 2012 and September 29, 2013), for work that he did not perform.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 666(a)(1)(A).

**FORFEITURE ALLEGATION**

1. The allegations contained in this Information are hereby realleged and incorporated by reference for the purpose of noticing forfeiture pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(c) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

2. Upon conviction of the offense of committing fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 666(a)(1)(A), as charged in this Information, defendant

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shall forfeit to the United States of America, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any and all property, real or personal, that constituted and was derived from proceeds traceable to the commission of the above violation, and all property traceable thereto, including, but not limited to, a sum of money equal to \$24,700 in United States currency, representing proceeds of the offense charged in this Information, as agreed to by the parties under the terms of a plea agreement dated August 17, 2017.

3. If by any act or omission of defendant ZACCHE, any of the property subject to forfeiture described in paragraph 2 herein:

- a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- b) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
- 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 divided without difficulty;

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(p), as incorporated by 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), to seek forfeiture of any other property of defendant ZACCHE up to the value of the above forfeitable property.

  
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