

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	Hon.
	:	
v.	:	Crim. No.
	:	
WALTER LEE NICHOLS	:	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 of Firearms and Ammunition by a Convicted Felon)

On or about November 17, 2020, in Essex County, in the District of New Jersey and elsewhere, the defendant,

WALTER LEE NICHOLS,

knowing that he had previously been convicted of at least one crime punishable by a term of imprisonment exceeding one year, did knowingly possess in and affecting interstate commerce firearms and ammunition, namely: a 9mm Luger caliber, semi-automatic Taurus Model PT709 Slim pistol, bearing serial number TDM30589; a .380 auto caliber, semi-automatic Ruger pistol, model LCP, bearing serial number 371110809; a 12 Gauge, pump action Savage Arms/Sun City Machinery Model Stevens 320 shotgun, bearing serial number 136678K; a semi-automatic Century Arms Model Centurion 39 Sporter rifle, bearing serial number C39WM-001534; 16 rounds of ball ammunition stamped "BLAZER 9mm LUGER"; four rounds of ball ammunition stamped "WIN 9mm LUGER"; four

rounds of hollow-point ammunition stamped "G.F.L. 380 AUTO"; 14 rounds of ball ammunition stamped "BLAZER 9mm LUGER"; 19 rounds of rifle ammunition stamped "TULAMMO 7.62x39"; 38 rounds of hollow-point ammunition stamped "WIN 40 S&W"; 60 rounds of rifle ammunition stamped "TULAMMO 7.62x39"; 100 rounds of hollow-point ammunition stamped "BLAZER 357 MAG"; and 150 rounds of ball ammunition stamped "BLAZER 9mm LUGER."

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

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION

1. Pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(d) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), upon conviction of the firearms offense alleged in Count One of this Information, the defendant,

WALTER LEE NICHOLS,

shall forfeit to the United States any firearms and ammunition involved in or used in the commission of such offense, including:

- a. one 9mm Luger caliber, semi-automatic Taurus, Model PT709 Slim pistol, bearing serial number TDM30589;
- b. one .380 auto caliber, semi-automatic Ruger pistol, model LCP, bearing serial number 371110809;
- c. one 12 Gauge, pump action Savage Arms/Sun City Machinery Model Stevens 320 shotgun, bearing serial number 136678K;
- d. one semi-automatic Century Arms Model Centurion 39 Sporter rifle, bearing serial number C39WM-001534;
- e. 16 sixteen rounds of ball ammunition stamped "BLAZER 9mm LUGER;"
- f. four rounds of ball ammunition stamped "WIN 9mm LUGER;"
- g. four rounds of hollow-point ammunition stamped "G.F.L. 380 AUTO";
- h. 14 rounds of ball ammunition stamped "BLAZER 9mm LUGER";
- i. 19 rounds of rifle ammunition stamped "TULAMMO 7.62x39";
- j. 38 rounds of hollow-point ammunition stamped "WIN 40 S&W";
- k. 60 rounds of rifle ammunition stamped "TULAMMO 7.62x39";
- l. 100 rounds of hollow-point ammunition stamped "BLAZER 357 MAG"; and

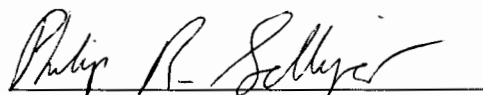
m. 150 rounds of ball ammunition stamped "BLAZER 9mm LUGER."

SUBSTITUTE ASSETS PROVISION

2. 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 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,

the United States shall be entitled, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), as incorporated by Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(b) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), to forfeiture of any other property of the defendant up to the value of the above-described forfeitable property.


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