
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon. Michael A. Hammer
:
v. : Mag. No. 17-4093
:
ISRAEL COSME :
: **CRIMINAL COMPLAINT**

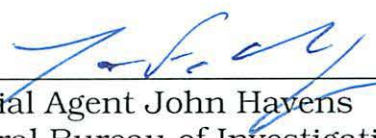
I, John Havens, being duly sworn, state the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

SEE ATTACHMENT A

I further state that I am a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and that this complaint is based on the following facts:

SEE ATTACHMENT B

continued on the attached page and made a part hereof.


Special Agent John Havens
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence,
June 5, 2017 in New Jersey

HONORABLE MICHAEL A. HAMMER
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE


Signature of Judicial Officer

ATTACHMENT A

COUNT ONE
(Bank Robbery)

On or about January 15, 2017, in Bergen County, in the District of New Jersey and elsewhere, the defendant

ISRAEL COSME

did, by force and violence, and by intimidation, knowingly take from the person and presence of another, namely, employees of the TD Bank, located in Little Ferry, New Jersey, approximately \$3,900 in money belonging to, and in the care, custody, control, management, and possession, of the TD Bank, the deposits of which were then insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2113(a).

ATTACHMENT B

I, John Havens, am a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI"). I am fully familiar with the facts set forth in this Complaint based on my own investigation, my conversation with other law enforcement officers, and my review of reports, documents, and items of evidence. Where statements of others are related here, they are related in substance and part. Since this complaint is being submitted for a limited purpose, I have not set forth each and every fact that I know concerning this investigation. Where I assert that an event took place on a particular date, I am asserting that it took place on or about the date alleged.

1. On or about January 15, 2017, at approximately 1:00 p.m., an individual, later identified as defendant ISRAEL COSME ("COSME"), entered the TD Bank at 225 Main Street in Little Ferry, New Jersey (the "Bank"). According to video surveillance footage, COSME was wearing blue jeans, tan work boots, a gray hooded sweatshirt with black trim, and a knit cap.

2. COSME approached a bank teller ("Victim Teller 1") and handed her a note demanding money. Concealing his right hand in his right sweatshirt pocket, COSME told Victim Teller 1 that he had a weapon in his right pocket. When Victim Teller 1 asked what would happen if she did not comply with COSME's demands for money, COSME responded that he would shoot her.

3. COSME then reached over the teller counter and grabbed Victim Teller 1 by the shirt and forcibly snatched money from her hand. When Victim Teller 1 tried to place a dye pack in the money COSME had grabbed, COSME told Victim Teller 1 that if she gave him the dye pack he would shoot her. COSME then left the Bank on foot with approximately \$3,900 in United States currency.

4. Law enforcement officers, including agents of the FBI, reviewed surveillance video and photos from the robbery of the Bank and identified COSME as the bank robber. COSME was known to the FBI because he previously robbed several banks.

5. On or around January 24, 2017, law enforcement apprehended COSME outside of a hotel in Maryland and executed a lawfully obtained search warrant on his hotel room. Inside they discovered, among other things, a pair of blue jeans and gray hooded sweatshirt with black trim that resembled the clothes that COSME was wearing when he robbed the Bank.

6. At all times relevant to this Complaint, the deposits of the Bank identified above were insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.