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**U.S. District Court
Southern District of Florida (Ft Lauderdale)
CRIMINAL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 0:26-mj-06062-PAB-1**

Case title: USA v. Spike

Date Filed: 02/09/2026

Date Terminated: 02/09/2026

Assigned to: Magistrate Judge
Panayotta D. Augustin-Birch

Defendant (1)

Ashley Spike
40639-512
YOB 1994 English
TERMINATED: 02/09/2026

represented by **Noticing FPD-FTL**
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LEAD ATTORNEY
ATTORNEY TO BE NOTICED
Designation: Public Defender Appointment

Pending Counts

None

Disposition

Highest Offense Level (Opening)

None

Terminated Counts

None

Disposition

Highest Offense Level
(Terminated)

None

Complaints

18:U.S.C. §1349 CONSPIRACY
TO COMMIT WIRE FRAUD

Disposition

Plaintiff

USA

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
02/09/2026	<u>1</u>	Magistrate Judge Removal of Indictment from DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS Case number in the other District 26-CR-10031 as to Ashley Spike (1). (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026		Set Hearing as to Ashley Spike: Initial Appearance – Rule 5(c)(3)/40 set for 2/9/2026 11:00 AM in Fort Lauderdale Division before FTL Duty Magistrate Judge. (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026		Arrest of Ashley Spike (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026	<u>2</u>	Minute Order for proceedings held before Magistrate Judge Panayotta D. Augustin-Birch: Initial Appearance in Rule 5(c)(3)/Rule 40 Proceedings as to Ashley Spike held on 2/9/2026. Bond set: Ashley Spike (1) \$100,000 PSB. Defendant waives Identity Hearing in this District, see waiver. All further proceedings will take place in District of Massachusetts. Order of Removal issued. Attorney added: Noticing FPD-FTL for Ashley Spike (Digital 11:10:29) (Signed by Magistrate Judge Panayotta D. Augustin-Birch on 2/9/2026). (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026	3	ORE TENUS MOTION to Appoint Counsel by Ashley Spike. (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026	4	PAPERLESS ORDER GRANTING 3 ORE TENUS Motion to Appoint Counsel as to Ashley Spike (1). (Signed by Magistrate Judge Panayotta D. Augustin-Birch on 2/9/2026). (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026	<u>5</u>	\$100,000 PSB Bond Entered as to Ashley Spike Approved by Magistrate Judge Panayotta D. Augustin-Birch. <i>Please see bond image for conditions of release.</i> (at) (Additional attachment(s) added on 2/9/2026: # <u>1</u> Restricted Bond with 7th Page) (at). (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026	<u>6</u>	WAIVER OF RULE 5 & 5.1 REMOVAL/IDENTITY HEARINGS by Ashley Spike (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026	<u>7</u>	ORDER OF REMOVAL ISSUED to DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS as to Ashley Spike Closing Case for Defendant. (Signed by Magistrate Judge Panayotta D. Augustin-Birch on 2/9/2026). <i>(See attached document for full details).</i> (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026	<u>8</u>	Notice of Criminal Transfer to DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS of a Rule 5 or Rule 32 Initial Appearance as to Ashley Spike. Your case number is: 26-CR-10031. Docket sheet and documents attached. If you require certified copies of any documents, please call our Records Section at 305-523-5210. <u>Attention Receiving Court</u> : If you wish to designate a different email address for future transfers, send your request to TXND at: InterDistrictTransfer_TXND@txnd.uscourts.gov. (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)

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Feb 9, 2026

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S.D. OF FLA. - FTLUNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

FLSD Case Number: 26-mj-6062-PAB

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

(1) SNIDERS JEAN-JACQUES,
(2) LORNE JOHNSON,
(3) TANYA PIERRE, and
(4) ASHLEY SPIKE,

Defendants

) Criminal No. 26-cr-10031
)
) Violation:
)
) Count One: Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud
) (18 U.S.C. § 1349)
)
) Forfeiture Allegation:
) (18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and
) 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c))
)

INDICTMENT

At all times relevant to this Indictment:

General Allegations

1. Defendant SNIDERS JEAN-JACQUES lived in Florida.
2. Defendant LORNE JOHNSON lived in Massachusetts.
3. JEAN-JACQUES and JOHNSON operated On the Go Tax Services ("OTG"), a tax preparation business with offices in Massachusetts and Florida.
4. Defendant TANYA PIERRE lived in Florida and worked as JEAN-JACQUES's assistant.
5. Defendant ASHLEY SPIKE lived in Florida.
6. Co-conspirator 1 ("CC-1") lived in Florida.
7. Borrowers 1, 4 and 5 lived in Massachusetts.
8. Borrowers 2 and 3 lived in Florida.
9. The United States Small Business Administration ("SBA") was an agency of the executive branch of the United States government. The mission of the SBA was to maintain and

strengthen the nation's economy by enabling the establishment and viability of small businesses and by assisting in the economic recovery of communities after disasters. As part of this effort, the SBA enabled and provided for loans, guaranteed by the government, through banks, credit unions, and other lenders.

The Paycheck Protection Program

10. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act was a federal law enacted in March 2020 that was designed to provide emergency financial assistance to Americans suffering economic harm as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Among other things, the CARES Act provided funding for forgivable loans to small businesses for job retention and certain other expenses through the Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP").

11. To obtain a PPP loan, a qualifying business was required to submit a PPP loan application signed by an authorized representative of the business. In the PPP loan application for self-employed individuals, the applicant was required to state, among other things, their gross income for 2019 or 2020, and to submit their IRS Form 1040 Schedule C, which reports income or loss from a sole proprietorship, with the application. Lenders used this information to calculate the amount of money the small business was eligible to receive under the PPP.

12. Participating lenders received and processed businesses' PPP loan applications. If a PPP loan application was approved, the lender would fund the PPP loan using its own monies, which were guaranteed by the SBA.

13. The PPP allowed the interest and principal on the PPP loan to be entirely forgiven if the business spent the loan proceeds on certain permissible expenses—namely payroll costs,

interest on mortgages, rent, and utilities—within a designated period of time and used at least a minimum amount of the PPP loan proceeds toward payroll expenses.

Overview of the Conspiracy and Scheme to Defraud

14. Between at least in or about March 2021 and in or about December 2022, in the District of Massachusetts, the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, JEAN-JACQUES, JOHNSON, PIERRE, SPIKE, and CC-1 conspired with each other and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury to obtain PPP loans for dozens of borrowers by submitting fraudulent PPP loan applications to PPP lenders. The fraudulent applications falsely stated the borrowers' gross income and included fake Schedule C forms to substantiate the claimed income.

Object and Purposes of the Conspiracy

15. The object of the conspiracy was to commit wire fraud by submitting fraudulent applications for PPP funds to participating PPP lenders. The purposes of the conspiracy were to make money and to conceal the submission of the fraudulent applications from PPP lenders, the SBA, and law enforcement authorities.

Manner and Means of the Conspiracy and Scheme to Defraud

16. Among the manner and means by which JEAN-JACQUES, JOHNSON, PIERRE, SPIKE, CC-1, and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury carried out the wire fraud conspiracy were the following:

- a. Recruiting potential borrowers to apply for PPP loans regardless of whether the borrowers had qualifying businesses;
- b. Traveling between Florida and Boston to meet with prospective fraudulent PPP loan applicants;

c. Applying for Employer Identification Numbers with the Internal Revenue Service and filing state business registrations to make the borrowers' purported businesses appear legitimate;

d. Making false representations on PPP applications regarding the borrowers' purported gross income for the purpose of securing PPP loans to which the borrowers were not entitled;

e. Establishing tax preparation software accounts in the names of JOHNSON, PIERRE, SPIKE, and CC-1, so that co-conspirators could create fake Schedule C forms listing inflated or fabricated gross income for the borrowers' purported businesses;

f. Using the tax preparation software to create fake Schedule C forms;

g. Causing borrowers to sign and certify the fraudulent PPP applications electronically with PPP lenders;

h. Causing PPP lenders to fund the fraudulent PPP loans;

i. Charging borrowers as much as 30 percent of the PPP loan proceeds as a fee; and

j. Communicating with each other about the fraudulent PPP applications.

17. In this fashion, JEAN-JACQUES, JOHNSON, PIERRE, SPIKE, CC-1, and others fraudulently obtained PPP loans totaling millions of dollars for themselves and other borrowers.

Acts in Furtherance of the Conspiracy and Scheme to Defraud

18. On various dates between at least in or about March 2021 and in or about December 2022, in the District of Massachusetts, the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, JEAN-JACQUES, JOHNSON, PIERRE, SPIKE, CC-1, and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury committed and caused to be committed the following acts, among others, in furtherance of the conspiracy and scheme to defraud:

Borrower 1

a. On or about March 3, 2021, Borrower 1 met JEAN-JACQUES at OTG's Boston office, where JEAN-JACQUES demanded a \$1,000 upfront cash payment from Borrower 1 for the preparation and submission of Borrower 1's PPP application.

b. On or about March 3, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES prepared and caused to be submitted a PPP application and Schedule C on behalf of Borrower 1 that falsely claimed Borrower 1 had gross income of \$123,005 in tax year 2019.

c. After Borrower 1 received a PPP loan of \$20,833 on or about March 13, 2021, and a second PPP loan of \$20,833 on or about April 9, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES demanded Borrower 1 pay him an additional \$12,000.

CC-1

d. On or about March 8, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES, in exchange for a portion of the loan proceeds, prepared a fraudulent PPP application and Schedule C on behalf of CC-1 that falsely claimed CC-1's business had gross income of \$153,400.

e. On or about March 9, 2021, CC-1 messaged JEAN-JACQUES via WhatsApp asking, in substance, how much CC-1 would be paid for recruiting potential borrowers and preparing fake documents for their PPP applications.

f. On or about March 9, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES messaged in response that CC-1 would receive 10 percent of the loan proceeds and JEAN-JACQUES would take 20 percent of the proceeds.

g. On or about March 10, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES instructed CC-1 by WhatsApp to “call Spike to help you with the new people”—that is, additional fraudulent PPP borrowers.

h. On or about March 11, 2021, CC-1 went to SPIKE’s apartment, where SPIKE taught CC-1 how to fill out fraudulent PPP applications.

i. On or about March 23, 2021, PIERRE gave CC-1 a list of occupations and associated income and expense ranges to use when creating fake Schedule C forms for fraudulent PPP applications.

j. On or about March 24, 2021, PIERRE taught CC-1 how to create fake Schedule C forms to submit with PPP applications.

k. On or about March 25, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES assigned CC-1 and PIERRE a group of individuals from Georgia for whom CC-1 and PIERRE were to prepare fraudulent PPP applications.

l. Between on or about March 25, 2021, and on or about March 26, 2021, CC-1 sent several WhatsApp messages to JEAN-JACQUES, who was in Massachusetts, with

questions about PPP loan forgiveness, signing the fraudulent PPP applications, and other PPP-related topics, which JEAN-JACQUES answered via WhatsApp.

Borrowers 2 and 3

m. On or about March 29, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES emailed CC-1 a fake Schedule C for Borrower 2 for CC-1 to use as a model when preparing fake Schedule C forms for other PPP applications.

n. On or about March 30, 2021, SPIKE emailed CC-1 a Schedule C for Borrower 3, which SPIKE had created when she was teaching CC-1 how to prepare a Schedule C.

o. On or about April 28, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES sent JOHNSON a WhatsApp message with a link to information about PPP loans.

p. On or about May 4, 2021, CC-1 sent JEAN-JACQUES a WhatsApp message asking for the address of JEAN-JACQUES's Boston office because CC-1 was going to send a potential borrower there.

Borrowers 4 and 5

q. On or about March 20, 2021, Borrower 4 visited JOHNSON at OTG's Boston office, where JOHNSON prepared a fraudulent PPP application on behalf of Borrower 4. The application falsely claimed that Borrower 4 had a business that generated more than \$153,000 in gross income in 2019.

r. On or about May 24, 2021, JOHNSON sent JEAN-JACQUES a video via WhatsApp of JOHNSON attempting to upload bank statements supporting a fraudulent PPP application for Borrower 5 and the error message JOHNSON received when doing so.

s. On or about June 17, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES directed CC-1 to tell a fraudulent PPP loan applicant to send a payment of \$2,500 to JOHNSON.

COUNT ONE
Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud
(18 U.S.C. § 1349)

The Grand Jury charges:

19. The Grand Jury re-alleges and incorporates by reference Paragraphs 1 through 18(s) of this Indictment.

20. Between at least in or about March 2021 and in or about December 2022, in the District of Massachusetts, the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

- (1) SNIDERS JEAN-JACQUES,
- (2) LORNE JOHNSON,
- (3) TANYA PIERRE, and
- (4) ASHLEY SPIKE,

conspired with each other and with others known and unknown to the Grand Jury to commit wire fraud, that is, having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud and to obtain money and property by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations and promises, to transmit and cause to be transmitted, by means of wire communications in interstate and foreign commerce, writings, signs, signals, pictures and sounds, to wit, fraudulent PPP applications and electronic communications regarding the fraudulent applications, for the purpose of executing the scheme to defraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343.

All in violation of Title 18, United State Code, Section 1349.

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION
(18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c))

21. Upon conviction of the offense in violation Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349, set forth in Count One, the defendants,

- (1) SNIDERS JEAN-JACQUES,
- (2) LORNE JOHNSON,
- (3) TANYA PIERRE, and
- (4) ASHLEY SPIKE,

shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any property, real or personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to the offenses.

22. If any of the property described in Paragraph 21, above, as being forfeitable pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), as a result of any act or omission of the defendants--

- 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 intention of the United States, pursuant to Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), incorporating Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of the defendants up to the value of the property described in Paragraph 21 above.

All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

A TRUE BILL


FOREPERSON


KRISTEN A. KEARNEY
ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

District of Massachusetts: February 5, 2026
Returned into the District Court by the Grand Jurors and filed.

/s/ Leonardo T. Vieira, 2:15pm
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COURT MINUTES/ORDER**United States Magistrate Judge Panayotta Augustin-Birch**

Courtroom 203D

Date: 2/9/2026 Time: 11:00 a.m.

Defendant: Ashley Spike (J) J#: 40639-512 Case #: 26-mj-6062-PAB

AUSA: M. Cathy Koontz for Latoya Crystal Brown Attorney: Jan Christopher Smith, AFPD

Violation: WIRE FRAUD

Proceeding: Initial Appearance/Rule 5

CJA Appt:

Bond/PTD Held: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Recommended Bond: \$100,000 PSB

Bond Set at: \$100,000 PSB

Co-signed by:

☐ Surrender and/or do not obtain passports/travel docs

Language: English

☐ Report to PTS as directed/or _____ x's a week/month by phone: _____ x's a week/month in person☐ Random urine testing by Pretrial Services _____ Treatment as deemed necessary☐ Refrain from excessive use of alcohol☐ Participate in mental health assessment & treatment☐ Maintain or seek full-time employment/education☐ No contact with victims/witnesses☐ No firearms☐ Not to encumber property☐ May not visit transportation establishments☐ Home Confinement/Electronic Monitoring and/or Curfew _____ pm to _____ am, paid by _____☐ Allowances: Medical needs, court appearances, attorney visits, religious, employment☐ Travel extended to: _____☒ Other: See bond**Disposition:**

Defendant present and advised of rights and charges pending in the District of Massachusetts.

Court grants Defendants Ore Tenus Motion to**Appoint Counsel.** Defendant sworn and foundindigent by the Court, **Court appoints FPD**, for

purposes of the Removal Hearing in this District.

Court accepts and set recommended bond.

Defendant released

Defendant waives Identity Hearing in this District,

see Waiver. All further proceedings will take place

in District of Massachusetts.

Order of Removal issued.

NEXT COURT APPEARANCE

Date:

Time:

Judge:

Place:

Report RE Counsel: _____

PTD/Bond Hearing: _____

Prelim/Arraign or Removal: _____

Status Conference RE: _____

D.A.R. 11:10:29

Time in Court: 20 minutes

CHECK IF APPLICABLE: ☐ For the reasons stated by counsel for the Defendant and finding that the ends of justice served by granting the ore tenus motion for continuance to hire counsel outweigh the best interests of the public & the Defendant in a Speedy Trial, the Court finds that the period of time from today, through and including _____, shall be deemed excludable in accordance with the provisions of the Speedy Trial Act, 18 USC 3161 et seq..

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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

APPEARANCE BOND: _____

CASE NO.: 26-mj-6062-PAB

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

Plaintiff,

v.

USM #: _____

Defendant,

Ashley Spike /

I, the undersigned defendant and I or we, the undersigned sureties, jointly and severally acknowledge that we and our personal representatives, jointly and severally, are bound to pay the United States of America, the sum of
\$ 100,000 PSB

STANDARD CONDITIONS OF BOND

The conditions of this bond are that the defendant:

1. Shall appear before this Court and at such other places as the defendant may be required to appear, in accordance with any and all orders and directions relating to the defendant's appearance in this case, including appearance for violation of a condition of the defendant's release as may be ordered or notified by this Court or any other United States District Court to which the defendant may be held to answer or the cause transferred. The defendant is required to ascertain from the Clerk of Court or defense counsel the time and place of all scheduled proceedings on the case. In no event may a defendant assume that his or her case has been dismissed unless the Court has entered an order of dismissal. The defendant is to abide by any judgment entered in such matter by surrendering to serve any sentence imposed and obeying any order or direction in connection with such judgment. This is a continuing bond, including any proceeding on appeal or review, which shall remain in full force and effect until such time as the Court shall order otherwise.

2. May not travel outside the Southern District of Florida unless otherwise approved by the Court prior to any such travel. The Southern District of Florida consists of the following counties: Broward, Highlands, Indian River, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Okeechobee, Palm Beach and St. Lucie.

3. May not change his/her present address without prior notification and approval from the U.S. Probation Officer or the Court.

4. Must cooperate with law enforcement officers in the collection of a DNA sample if the collection is required by 42 U.S.C. Section 14135a.

5. Must not violate any federal, state or local law while on release in this case. Should the defendant come in contact with law enforcement he/she shall notify the U.S. Probation Officer within 72 hours.

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BOND

In addition to compliance with the previously stated conditions of bond, the defendant must comply with the special conditions checked below:

- ☒ a. Surrender all passports and travel documents, if any, to Pretrial Services and not obtain any travel documents during the pendency of the case: 4PM, Feb 10, 2026
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PENALTIES AND SANCTIONS APPLICABLE TO DEFENDANT

Violation of any of the foregoing conditions of release may result in the immediate issuance of a warrant for the defendant's arrest, a revocation of release, and order of detention, as provided in 18 U.S.C. §3148, forfeiture of any bail posted, and a prosecution for contempt as provided in 18 U.S.C. §401, which could result in a possible term of imprisonment or a fine.

The commission of any offense while on pretrial release may result in an additional sentence upon conviction for such offense to a term of imprisonment of not more than ten years, if the offense is a felony; or a term of imprisonment of not more than one year, if the offense is a misdemeanor. This sentence shall be consecutive to any other sentence and must be imposed in addition to the sentence received for the offense itself.

Title 18 U.S.C. §1503 makes it a felony criminal offense punishable by imprisonment and a \$250,000 fine to intimidate or attempt to intimidate a witness, juror or officer of the court; 18 U.S.C. §1510 makes it a felony criminal offense punishable by imprisonment and a \$250,000 fine to obstruct a criminal investigation; 18 U.S.C. §1512 makes it a felony criminal offense punishable by imprisonment and a \$250,000 fine to tamper with a witness, victim or informant; and 18 U.S.C. §1513 makes it a felony criminal offense punishable by imprisonment and a \$250,000 fine to retaliate against a witness, victim or informant, or threaten to do so.

It is a criminal offense under 18 U.S.C. §3146, if after having been released, the defendant knowingly fails to appear as required by the conditions of release, or to surrender for the service of sentence pursuant to a court order. If the defendant was released in connection with a charge of, or while awaiting sentence, surrender for the service of a sentence, or appeal or certiorari after conviction for:

- (1) an offense punishable by death, life imprisonment, or imprisonment for a term of fifteen years or more the defendant shall be fined not more than \$250,000 or imprisoned for not more than ten years, or both;
- (2) an offense punishable by imprisonment for a term of five years or more, but less than fifteen years, the defendant shall be fined not more than \$250,000 or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both;
- (3) any other felony, the defendant shall be fined not more than \$250,000 or imprisoned not more than two years, or both;
- (4) a misdemeanor, the defendant shall be fined not more than \$100,000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.

A term of imprisonment imposed for failure to appear or surrender shall be consecutive to the sentence of imprisonment for any other offense. In addition, a failure to appear may result in the forfeiture of any bail posted, which means that the defendant will be obligated to pay the full amount of the bond, which may be enforced by all applicable laws of the United States.

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PENALTIES AND SANCTIONS APPLICABLE TO SURETIES

Violation by the defendant of any of the foregoing conditions of release will result in an immediate obligation by the surety or sureties to pay the full amount of the bond. Forfeiture of the bond for any breach of one or more conditions may be declared by a judicial officer of any United States District Court having cognizance of the above entitled matter at the time of such breach, and if the bond is forfeited and the forfeiture is not set aside or remitted, judgment may be entered upon motion in such United States District Court against each surety jointly and severally for the amount of the bond, together with interest and costs, and execution may be issued and payment secured as provided by the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure and other laws of the United States.

SIGNATURES

I have carefully read and I understand this entire appearance bond consisting of seven pages, or it has been read to me, and, if necessary, translated into my native language, and I know that I am obligated by law to comply with all of the terms of this bond. I promise to obey all conditions of this bond, to appear in court as required, and to surrender for service of any sentence imposed. I am aware of the penalties and sanctions outlined in this bond for violations of the terms of the bond.

If I am an agent acting for or on behalf of a corporate surety, I further represent that I am a duly authorized agent for the corporate surety and have full power to execute this bond in the amount stated.

DEFENDANTSigned this 9th day of February, 2026 at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

Signed and acknowledged before me:

DEFENDANT: (Signature) [Signature]WITNESS: [Signature]Ft. Lauderdale

City

State

City

State

CORPORATE SURETY

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20__ at _____, Florida

SURETY: _____

AGENT: (Signature) _____

PRINT NAME: _____

City

State

INDIVIDUAL SURETIES

Signed this ____ day of _____, 20__ at _____, Florida

SURETY: (Signature) _____

PRINT NAME: _____

RELATIONSHIP TO DEFENDANT: _____

City

State

Signed this ____ day of _____, 20__ at _____, Florida

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City

State

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PRINT NAME: _____

RELATIONSHIP TO DEFENDANT: _____

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APPROVAL BY THE COURTDate: 2-8-2026[Signature]

Panayotta Augustin-Birch

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Revised 03/2025

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

APPEARANCE BOND: _____

CASE NO.: 26-mj-6062-PAB

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

Plaintiff,

v.

USM #: _____

Defendant,

Ashley Spike /

I, the undersigned defendant and I or we, the undersigned sureties, jointly and severally acknowledge that we and our personal representatives, jointly and severally, are bound to pay the United States of America, the sum of \$ 100,000 PSB

STANDARD CONDITIONS OF BOND

The conditions of this bond are that the defendant:

1. Shall appear before this Court and at such other places as the defendant may be required to appear, in accordance with any and all orders and directions relating to the defendant's appearance in this case, including appearance for violation of a condition of the defendant's release as may be ordered or notified by this Court or any other United States District Court to which the defendant may be held to answer or the cause transferred. The defendant is required to ascertain from the Clerk of Court or defense counsel the time and place of all scheduled proceedings on the case. In no event may a defendant assume that his or her case has been dismissed unless the Court has entered an order of dismissal. The defendant is to abide by any judgment entered in such matter by surrendering to serve any sentence imposed and obeying any order or direction in connection with such judgment. This is a continuing bond, including any proceeding on appeal or review, which shall remain in full force and effect until such time as the Court shall order otherwise.

2. May not travel outside the Southern District of Florida unless otherwise approved by the Court prior to any such travel. The Southern District of Florida consists of the following counties: Broward, Highlands, Indian River, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Okeechobee, Palm Beach and St. Lucie.

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4. Must cooperate with law enforcement officers in the collection of a DNA sample if the collection is required by 42 U.S.C. Section 14135a.

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BOND

In addition to compliance with the previously stated conditions of bond, the defendant must comply with the special conditions checked below:

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Signed this 12 day of February, 2026 at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida
Signed and acknowledged before me: DEFENDANT: (Signature) [Signature]
WITNESS: [Signature] [Signature]
City State City State

CORPORATE SURETY

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20____ at _____, Florida
SURETY: _____ AGENT: (Signature) _____
City State PRINT NAME: _____

INDIVIDUAL SURETIES

Signed this ____ day of _____, 20__ at _____, Florida Signed this ____ day of _____, 20__ at _____, Florida
SURETY: (Signature) _____ SURETY: (Signature) _____
PRINT NAME: _____ PRINT NAME: _____
RELATIONSHIP TO DEFENDANT: _____ RELATIONSHIP TO DEFENDANT: _____
City State City State

Signed this ____ day of _____, 20__ at _____, Florida Signed this ____ day of _____, 20__ at _____, Florida
SURETY: (Signature) _____ SURETY: (Signature) _____
PRINT NAME: _____ PRINT NAME: _____
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City State City State

APPROVAL BY THE COURT

Date: 2-8-2026

[Signature]
Panayotta Augustin-Birch
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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DEFENDANT

Signed this 17 day of February, 2026 at FT. Lauderdale, Florida
Signed and acknowledged before me:
WITNESS: [Signature]
ADDRESS: 5413 SW 132nd Ave
ADDRESS: FPD - Ft. Lauderdale Miramar FL ZIP: 33027
TELEPHONE: 954-397-9537

CORPORATE SURETY

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20__ at _____, Florida
SURETY: _____ AGENT: (Signature) _____
ADDRESS: _____ PRINT NAME: _____
ZIP: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

INDIVIDUAL SURETIES

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20__ at _____, Florida
SURETY: (Signature) _____
PRINT NAME: _____
RELATIONSHIP TO DEFENDANT: _____
ADDRESS: _____
ZIP: _____
TELEPHONE: _____

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20__ at _____, Florida
SURETY: (Signature) _____
PRINT NAME: _____
RELATIONSHIP TO DEFENDANT: _____
ADDRESS: _____
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

Case No: 26-mj-6062 PAB

United States of America
Plaintiff,

v.

Ashley Spike
Defendant.

Charging Districts Case No. 26-cr-10031

WAIVER OF RULE 5 & 5.1 REMOVAL/IDENTITY HEARINGS

I understand that I have been charged in another district, the District of Massachusetts

I have been informed of the charges and of my rights to:

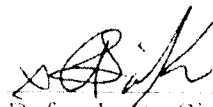
- (1) retain counsel or request the assignment of counsel if I am unable to retain counsel;
- (2) an identity hearing to determine whether I am the person named in the charges;
- (3) production of the warrant, a certified copy of the warrant, or a reliable electronic copy of either;
- (4) a preliminary hearing within 14 days of my first appearance if I am in custody and 21 days otherwise (unless I am indicted) to determine whether there is probable cause to believe that an offense has been committed;
- (5) a hearing on any motion by the government for detention;
- (6) request transfer of the proceedings to this district under Fed. R. Crim. P. 20, to plead guilty.

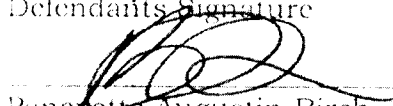
I agree to waive my rights to: **(check those that apply)**

- ☐ An identity hearing and production of the warrant.
- ☐ A preliminary hearing.
- ☐ A detention hearing in the Southern District of Florida.
- ☒ An identity hearing, production of the warrant, and any preliminary or detention hearing to which I may be entitled to in this district. I request that those hearings be held in the prosecuting district, at a time set by that court.

I consent to the issuance of an order requiring my appearance in the prosecuting district where the charges are pending against me.

Date: 2/9/2026


Defendants Signature


Panayotta Augustin-Birch
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
Case No. 26-mj-6062-PAB

United States of America
Plaintiff,

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Defendant,
_____ /

ORDER OF REMOVAL

It appearing that in the **District of Massachusetts**, an Indictment was filed against the above-named defendant, and that the defendant was arrested in the Southern District of Florida and was given a hearing before United States Magistrate Judge Panayotta Augustin-Birch at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, which officially committed the defendant for removal to the **District of Massachusetts**, it is ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the defendant be removed to the above-named District for trial on said charge.

And it further appearing that the defendant waived further hearing in the said removal proceedings and was held by the Magistrate Judge Panayotta Augustin-Birch for removal and released to **\$100,000 PSB** which was approved by the United States Magistrate Judge Panayotta Augustin-Birch, and it is further ORDERED that the defendant shall appear in the aforesaid District at such times and places as may be ordered by that District Court, in accordance with the terms and conditions of aforesaid bond furnished by the defendant, and it is further ORDERED that the funds, plus interest, which may have been deposited on behalf of this defendant with the Clerk of the Court under Bail Reform Act be transferred to the District where removed.

DONE AND ORDERED at Fort Lauderdale, Florida on 2/9/2026.



Panayotta Augustin-Birch
United States Magistrate Judge

BNDPAB

**U.S. District Court
Southern District of Florida (Ft Lauderdale)
CRIMINAL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 0:26-mj-06062-PAB All Defendants**

Case title: USA v. Spike

Date Filed: 02/09/2026

Date Terminated: 02/09/2026

Assigned to: Magistrate Judge
Panayotta D. Augustin-Birch

Defendant (1)

Ashley Spike
40639-512

YOB 1994 English

TERMINATED: 02/09/2026

represented by **Noticing FPD-FTL**

(954) 356-7436

Email: ftl_ecf@fd.org

LEAD ATTORNEY

ATTORNEY TO BE NOTICED

Designation: Public Defender Appointment

Pending Counts

None

Disposition

Highest Offense Level (Opening)

None

Terminated Counts

None

Disposition

Highest Offense Level
(Terminated)

None

Complaints

18:U.S.C. § 1349 CONSPIRACY
TO COMMIT WIRE FRAUD

Disposition

Plaintiff

USA

represented by **Latoya Crystal Brown**

DOJ-USAO

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Suite 700

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33394
954-660-5957
Email: Latoya.Brown2@usdoj.gov
LEAD ATTORNEY
ATTORNEY TO BE NOTICED
Designation: Retained

Date Filed	#	Docket Text
02/09/2026	<u>1</u>	Magistrate Judge Removal of Indictment from DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS Case number in the other District 26-CR-10031 as to Ashley Spike (1). (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026		Set Hearing as to Ashley Spike: Initial Appearance – Rule 5(c)(3)/40 set for 2/9/2026 11:00 AM in Fort Lauderdale Division before FTL Duty Magistrate Judge. (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026		Arrest of Ashley Spike (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026	<u>2</u>	Minute Order for proceedings held before Magistrate Judge Panayotta D. Augustin-Birch: Initial Appearance in Rule 5(c)(3)/Rule 40 Proceedings as to Ashley Spike held on 2/9/2026. Bond set: Ashley Spike (1) \$100,000 PSB. Defendant waives Identity Hearing in this District, see waiver. All further proceedings will take place in District of Massachusetts. Order of Removal issued. Attorney added: Noticing FPD-FTL for Ashley Spike (Digital 11:10:29) (Signed by Magistrate Judge Panayotta D. Augustin-Birch on 2/9/2026). (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026	3	ORE TENUS MOTION to Appoint Counsel by Ashley Spike. (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026	4	PAPERLESS ORDER GRANTING 3 ORE TENUS Motion to Appoint Counsel as to Ashley Spike (1). (Signed by Magistrate Judge Panayotta D. Augustin-Birch on 2/9/2026). (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026	<u>5</u>	\$100,000 PSB Bond Entered as to Ashley Spike Approved by Magistrate Judge Panayotta D. Augustin-Birch. <i>Please see bond image for conditions of release.</i> (at) (Additional attachment(s) added on 2/9/2026: # <u>1</u> Restricted Bond with 7th Page) (at). (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026	<u>6</u>	WAIVER OF RULE 5 & 5.1 REMOVAL/IDENTITY HEARINGS by Ashley Spike (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)
02/09/2026	<u>7</u>	ORDER OF REMOVAL ISSUED to DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS as to Ashley Spike Closing Case for Defendant. (Signed by Magistrate Judge Panayotta D. Augustin-Birch on 2/9/2026). <i>(See attached document for full details).</i> (at) (Entered: 02/09/2026)

FILED BY SM D.C.

Feb 9, 2026

ANGELA E. NOBLE
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S.D. OF FLA. - FILUNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

FLSD Case Number: 26-mj-6062-PAB

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Criminal No. 26-cr-10031

v.

Violation:

(1) SNIDERS JEAN-JACQUES,

Count One: Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud
(18 U.S.C. § 1349)

(2) LORNE JOHNSON,

(3) TANYA PIERRE, and

(4) ASHLEY SPIKE,

Forfeiture Allegation:

(18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and

Defendants

28 U.S.C. § 2461(c))

INDICTMENT

At all times relevant to this Indictment:

General Allegations

1. Defendant SNIDERS JEAN-JACQUES lived in Florida.
2. Defendant LORNE JOHNSON lived in Massachusetts.
3. JEAN-JACQUES and JOHNSON operated On the Go Tax Services ("OTG"), a tax preparation business with offices in Massachusetts and Florida.
4. Defendant TANYA PIERRE lived in Florida and worked as JEAN-JACQUES's assistant.
5. Defendant ASHLEY SPIKE lived in Florida.
6. Co-conspirator 1 ("CC-1") lived in Florida.
7. Borrowers 1, 4 and 5 lived in Massachusetts.
8. Borrowers 2 and 3 lived in Florida.
9. The United States Small Business Administration ("SBA") was an agency of the executive branch of the United States government. The mission of the SBA was to maintain and

strengthen the nation's economy by enabling the establishment and viability of small businesses and by assisting in the economic recovery of communities after disasters. As part of this effort, the SBA enabled and provided for loans, guaranteed by the government, through banks, credit unions, and other lenders.

The Paycheck Protection Program

10. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act was a federal law enacted in March 2020 that was designed to provide emergency financial assistance to Americans suffering economic harm as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Among other things, the CARES Act provided funding for forgivable loans to small businesses for job retention and certain other expenses through the Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP").

11. To obtain a PPP loan, a qualifying business was required to submit a PPP loan application signed by an authorized representative of the business. In the PPP loan application for self-employed individuals, the applicant was required to state, among other things, their gross income for 2019 or 2020, and to submit their IRS Form 1040 Schedule C, which reports income or loss from a sole proprietorship, with the application. Lenders used this information to calculate the amount of money the small business was eligible to receive under the PPP.

12. Participating lenders received and processed businesses' PPP loan applications. If a PPP loan application was approved, the lender would fund the PPP loan using its own monies, which were guaranteed by the SBA.

13. The PPP allowed the interest and principal on the PPP loan to be entirely forgiven if the business spent the loan proceeds on certain permissible expenses—namely payroll costs,

interest on mortgages, rent, and utilities—within a designated period of time and used at least a minimum amount of the PPP loan proceeds toward payroll expenses.

Overview of the Conspiracy and Scheme to Defraud

14. Between at least in or about March 2021 and in or about December 2022, in the District of Massachusetts, the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, JEAN-JACQUES, JOHNSON, PIERRE, SPIKE, and CC-1 conspired with each other and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury to obtain PPP loans for dozens of borrowers by submitting fraudulent PPP loan applications to PPP lenders. The fraudulent applications falsely stated the borrowers' gross income and included fake Schedule C forms to substantiate the claimed income.

Object and Purposes of the Conspiracy

15. The object of the conspiracy was to commit wire fraud by submitting fraudulent applications for PPP funds to participating PPP lenders. The purposes of the conspiracy were to make money and to conceal the submission of the fraudulent applications from PPP lenders, the SBA, and law enforcement authorities.

Manner and Means of the Conspiracy and Scheme to Defraud

16. Among the manner and means by which JEAN-JACQUES, JOHNSON, PIERRE, SPIKE, CC-1, and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury carried out the wire fraud conspiracy were the following:

- a. Recruiting potential borrowers to apply for PPP loans regardless of whether the borrowers had qualifying businesses;
- b. Traveling between Florida and Boston to meet with prospective fraudulent PPP loan applicants;

c. Applying for Employer Identification Numbers with the Internal Revenue Service and filing state business registrations to make the borrowers' purported businesses appear legitimate;

d. Making false representations on PPP applications regarding the borrowers' purported gross income for the purpose of securing PPP loans to which the borrowers were not entitled;

e. Establishing tax preparation software accounts in the names of JOHNSON, PIERRE, SPIKE, and CC-1, so that co-conspirators could create fake Schedule C forms listing inflated or fabricated gross income for the borrowers' purported businesses;

f. Using the tax preparation software to create fake Schedule C forms;

g. Causing borrowers to sign and certify the fraudulent PPP applications electronically with PPP lenders;

h. Causing PPP lenders to fund the fraudulent PPP loans;

i. Charging borrowers as much as 30 percent of the PPP loan proceeds as a fee; and

j. Communicating with each other about the fraudulent PPP applications.

17. In this fashion, JEAN-JACQUES, JOHNSON, PIERRE, SPIKE, CC-1, and others fraudulently obtained PPP loans totaling millions of dollars for themselves and other borrowers.

Acts in Furtherance of the Conspiracy and Scheme to Defraud

18. On various dates between at least in or about March 2021 and in or about December 2022, in the District of Massachusetts, the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, JEAN-JACQUES, JOHNSON, PIERRE, SPIKE, CC-1, and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury committed and caused to be committed the following acts, among others, in furtherance of the conspiracy and scheme to defraud:

Borrower 1

a. On or about March 3, 2021, Borrower 1 met JEAN-JACQUES at OTG's Boston office, where JEAN-JACQUES demanded a \$1,000 upfront cash payment from Borrower 1 for the preparation and submission of Borrower 1's PPP application.

b. On or about March 3, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES prepared and caused to be submitted a PPP application and Schedule C on behalf of Borrower 1 that falsely claimed Borrower 1 had gross income of \$123,005 in tax year 2019.

c. After Borrower 1 received a PPP loan of \$20,833 on or about March 13, 2021, and a second PPP loan of \$20,833 on or about April 9, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES demanded Borrower 1 pay him an additional \$12,000.

CC-1

d. On or about March 8, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES, in exchange for a portion of the loan proceeds, prepared a fraudulent PPP application and Schedule C on behalf of CC-1 that falsely claimed CC-1's business had gross income of \$153,400.

e. On or about March 9, 2021, CC-1 messaged JEAN-JACQUES via WhatsApp asking, in substance, how much CC-1 would be paid for recruiting potential borrowers and preparing fake documents for their PPP applications.

f. On or about March 9, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES messaged in response that CC-1 would receive 10 percent of the loan proceeds and JEAN-JACQUES would take 20 percent of the proceeds.

g. On or about March 10, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES instructed CC-1 by WhatsApp to “call Spike to help you with the new people”—that is, additional fraudulent PPP borrowers.

h. On or about March 11, 2021, CC-1 went to SPIKE’s apartment, where SPIKE taught CC-1 how to fill out fraudulent PPP applications.

i. On or about March 23, 2021, PIERRE gave CC-1 a list of occupations and associated income and expense ranges to use when creating fake Schedule C forms for fraudulent PPP applications.

j. On or about March 24, 2021, PIERRE taught CC-1 how to create fake Schedule C forms to submit with PPP applications.

k. On or about March 25, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES assigned CC-1 and PIERRE a group of individuals from Georgia for whom CC-1 and PIERRE were to prepare fraudulent PPP applications.

l. Between on or about March 25, 2021, and on or about March 26, 2021, CC-1 sent several WhatsApp messages to JEAN-JACQUES, who was in Massachusetts, with

questions about PPP loan forgiveness, signing the fraudulent PPP applications, and other PPP-related topics, which JEAN-JACQUES answered via WhatsApp.

Borrowers 2 and 3

m. On or about March 29, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES emailed CC-1 a fake Schedule C for Borrower 2 for CC-1 to use as a model when preparing fake Schedule C forms for other PPP applications.

n. On or about March 30, 2021, SPIKE emailed CC-1 a Schedule C for Borrower 3, which SPIKE had created when she was teaching CC-1 how to prepare a Schedule C.

o. On or about April 28, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES sent JOHNSON a WhatsApp message with a link to information about PPP loans.

p. On or about May 4, 2021, CC-1 sent JEAN-JACQUES a WhatsApp message asking for the address of JEAN-JACQUES's Boston office because CC-1 was going to send a potential borrower there.

Borrowers 4 and 5

q. On or about March 20, 2021, Borrower 4 visited JOHNSON at OTG's Boston office, where JOHNSON prepared a fraudulent PPP application on behalf of Borrower 4. The application falsely claimed that Borrower 4 had a business that generated more than \$153,000 in gross income in 2019.

r. On or about May 24, 2021, JOHNSON sent JEAN-JACQUES a video via WhatsApp of JOHNSON attempting to upload bank statements supporting a fraudulent PPP application for Borrower 5 and the error message JOHNSON received when doing so.

s. On or about June 17, 2021, JEAN-JACQUES directed CC-1 to tell a fraudulent PPP loan applicant to send a payment of \$2,500 to JOHNSON.

COUNT ONE

Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud
(18 U.S.C. § 1349)

The Grand Jury charges:

19. The Grand Jury re-alleges and incorporates by reference Paragraphs 1 through 18(s) of this Indictment.

20. Between at least in or about March 2021 and in or about December 2022, in the District of Massachusetts, the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

- (1) SNIDERS JEAN-JACQUES,
- (2) LORNE JOHNSON,
- (3) TANYA PIERRE, and
- (4) ASHLEY SPIKE,

conspired with each other and with others known and unknown to the Grand Jury to commit wire fraud, that is, having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud and to obtain money and property by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations and promises, to transmit and cause to be transmitted, by means of wire communications in interstate and foreign commerce, writings, signs, signals, pictures and sounds, to wit, fraudulent PPP applications and electronic communications regarding the fraudulent applications, for the purpose of executing the scheme to defraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343.

All in violation of Title 18, United State Code, Section 1349.

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION
(18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c))

21. Upon conviction of the offense in violation Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349, set forth in Count One, the defendants,

- (1) SNIDERS JEAN-JACQUES,
- (2) LORNE JOHNSON,
- (3) TANYA PIERRE, and
- (4) ASHLEY SPIKE,

shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any property, real or personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to the offenses.

22. If any of the property described in Paragraph 21, above, as being forfeitable pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), as a result of any act or omission of the defendants--

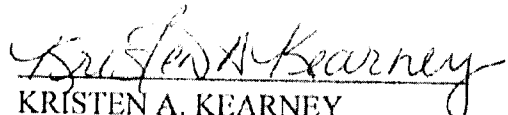
- a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
- c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- d. has been substantially diminished in value; or
- e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be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

it is the intention of the United States, pursuant to Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), incorporating Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of the defendants up to the value of the property described in Paragraph 21 above.

All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

A TRUE BILL


FOREPERSON


KRISTEN A. KEARNEY
ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

District of Massachusetts: February 5, 2026
Returned into the District Court by the Grand Jurors and filed.

/s/ Leonardo T. Vieira, 2:15pm
DEPUTY CLERK

COURT MINUTES/ORDER**United States Magistrate Judge Panayotta Augustin-Birch**

Courtroom 203D

Date: 2/9/2026 Time: 11:00 a.m.

Defendant: Ashley Spike (J) J#: 40639-512 Case #: 26-mj-6062-PABAUSA: M. Cathy Koontz for Latoya Crystal Brown Attorney: Jan Christopher Smith, AFPDViolation: WIRE FRAUDProceeding: Initial Appearance/Rule 5

CJA Appt: _____

Bond/PTD Held: ☐ Yes ☐ No Recommended Bond: \$100,000 PSBBond Set at: \$100,000 PSB

Co-signed by: _____

☐ Surrender and/or do not obtain passports/travel docsLanguage: English☐ Report to PTS as directed/or _____ x's a week/month by phone: _____ x's a week/month in person☐ Random urine testing by Pretrial Services _____ Treatment as deemed necessary☐ Refrain from excessive use of alcohol☐ Participate in mental health assessment & treatment☐ Maintain or seek full-time employment/education☐ No contact with victims/witnesses☐ No firearms☐ Not to encumber property☐ May not visit transportation establishments☐ Home Confinement/Electronic Monitoring and/or Curfew _____ pm to _____ am, paid by _____☐ Allowances: Medical needs, court appearances, attorney visits, religious, employment☐ Travel extended to: _____☒ Other: See bond**Disposition:**

Defendant present and advised of rights and charges pending in the District of Massachusetts.

Court grants Defendants Ore Tenus Motion to**Appoint Counsel.** Defendant sworn and foundindigent by the Court, **Court appoints FPD**, for purposes of the Removal Hearing in this District.**Court accepts and set recommended bond.**

Defendant released

Defendant waives Identity Hearing in this District,

see Waiver. All further proceedings will take place in District of Massachusetts.

Order of Removal issued.

NEXT COURT APPEARANCE

Date:

Time:

Judge:

Place:

Report RE Counsel: _____

PTD/Bond Hearing: _____

Prelim/Arraign or Removal: _____

Status Conference RE: _____

D.A.R. 11:10:29Time in Court: 20 minutes

CHECK IF APPLICABLE: ☐ For the reasons stated by counsel for the Defendant and finding that the ends of justice served by granting the ore tenus motion for continuance to hire counsel outweigh the best interests of the public & the Defendant in a Speedy Trial, the Court finds that the period of time from today, through and including _____, shall be deemed excludable in accordance with the provisions of the Speedy Trial Act, 18 USC 3161 et seq..

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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

APPEARANCE BOND: _____

CASE NO.: 26-mj-6062-PAB

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

Plaintiff,

v.

USM #: _____

Defendant,

Ashley Spike /

I, the undersigned defendant and I or we, the undersigned sureties, jointly and severally acknowledge that we and our personal representatives, jointly and severally, are bound to pay the United States of America, the sum of \$ 100,000 PSB

STANDARD CONDITIONS OF BOND

The conditions of this bond are that the defendant:

1. Shall appear before this Court and at such other places as the defendant may be required to appear, in accordance with any and all orders and directions relating to the defendant's appearance in this case, including appearance for violation of a condition of the defendant's release as may be ordered or notified by this Court or any other United States District Court to which the defendant may be held to answer or the cause transferred. The defendant is required to ascertain from the Clerk of Court or defense counsel the time and place of all scheduled proceedings on the case. In no event may a defendant assume that his or her case has been dismissed unless the Court has entered an order of dismissal. The defendant is to abide by any judgment entered in such matter by surrendering to serve any sentence imposed and obeying any order or direction in connection with such judgment. This is a continuing bond, including any proceeding on appeal or review, which shall remain in full force and effect until such time as the Court shall order otherwise.

2. May not travel outside the Southern District of Florida unless otherwise approved by the Court prior to any such travel. The Southern District of Florida consists of the following counties: Broward, Highlands, Indian River, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Okeechobee, Palm Beach and St. Lucie.

3. May not change his/her present address without prior notification and approval from the U.S. Probation Officer or the Court.

4. Must cooperate with law enforcement officers in the collection of a DNA sample if the collection is required by 42 U.S.C. Section 14135a.

5. Must not violate any federal, state or local law while on release in this case. Should the defendant come in contact with law enforcement he/she shall notify the U.S. Probation Officer within 72 hours.

DEFENDANT: Ashley Spike
CASE NUMBER: 26-mj-6062-PAB
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SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BOND

In addition to compliance with the previously stated conditions of bond, the defendant must comply with the special conditions checked below:

- ☒ a. Surrender all passports and travel documents, if any, to Pretrial Services and not obtain any travel documents during the pendency of the case; 4PM, Feb 10, 2026
- ☒ b. Report to Pretrial Services as follows: ☒ as directed or ___ time(s) a week in person and ___ time(s) a week by telephone;
- ☐ c. Submit to substance abuse testing and/or treatment, contribute to the cost of services rendered based on ability to pay, as determined by the U.S. Probation Officer;
- ☐ d. Refrain from ___ excessive OR ___ abstain from alcohol use or any use of a narcotic drug or other controlled substance, as defined in section 102 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. § 802), without a prescription by a licensed medical practitioner;
- ☐ e. Participate in a mental health assessment and/or treatment and contribute to the costs of services rendered based on ability to pay, as determined by the U.S. Probation Officer;
- ☒ f. Employment restriction(s): NO PII'S
- ☒ g. Maintain or actively seek full-time employment;
- ☐ h. Maintain or begin an educational program;
- ☒ i. Avoid all contact with victims or witnesses to the crimes charged, except through counsel. The AUSA shall provide defense counsel and pretrial services with the names of all victims or witnesses. The prohibition against contact does not take effect until defense counsel receives the list. The prohibition against contact applies only to those persons on the list, but the prosecutor may expand the list by sending written notice to defense counsel and pretrial services.;
- ☐ j. Avoid all contact with co-defendants and defendants in related cases, except through counsel;
- ☒ k. Refrain from possessing a firearm, destructive device or other dangerous weapons and shall surrender (if any), their concealed weapons permit to the U.S. Probation Office;
- ☒ l. None of the signatories may sell, pledge, mortgage, hypothecate, encumber, etc., any real property they own, until the bond is discharged, or otherwise modified by the Court;
- ☐ m. May not visit commercial transportation establishment: airports, seaport/marinas, commercial bus terminals, train stations, etc.;
- ☐ n. Defendant shall consent to the U.S. Probation Officer conducting periodic unannounced examinations of the defendant's computer equipment at his/her place of employment or on the computer at his/her residence which may include retrieval and copying of all data from the computer(s) and any internal or external peripherals to ensure compliance with this condition and/or removal of such equipment for the purpose of conducting a more thorough inspection; and consent at the direction of the U.S. Probation Officer to have installed on the defendant's computer(s), at the defendant's expense, any hardware or software systems to monitor the defendant's computer use;