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Other Sources

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Involvement Date: 5/10/2021 - 5/17/2021

Details of Involvement:

On 5/10/2021, Investigative Analyst Delena Spann conducted a property search to find all properties owned by Christopher SCOTT, Tedora BROWN, Scotland Construction, and Scotland Development Corporation. This search revealed thirteen lots which had been purchased between 10/06/2020 and 11/20/2020.

On 5/11/2021, I searched on redfin.com and realtor.com for properties for sale in Robbins, IL which appeared similar to known projects by SCOTT and BROWN. During this search, I found 3707 139th Pl., Robbins, IL 60472, which was for sale for \$315,000 and advertised as a 5-bedroom, 3-bathroom home by Jaime Birks of the Corona Realty Group, Inc (https://www.realtor.com/realestateandhomes-detail/3707-W-139th-St_Robbins_IL_60472_M91508-14357). The listing advertised an open house would take place on 5/15/2021 at 1300 hours. In addition to this listing, there were approximately ten listings that matched the general description of houses and location which SCOTT and BROWN claim they are developing.

On 5/15/2021, Special Agent (SA) William Roseborough and I conducted address checks on locations including 3650 W. 139th St, Robbins, IL, 13730 S. Ridgeway Ave, Robbins, IL, 15600 Kedzie Ave, Markham, IL, as well as other locations with new construction seen close by to the cross streets 139th St and S Lawndale Ave. In addition, we attended the open house for 3707 139th.

3650 W. 139th St. – Area had been leveled, but no further construction had taken place.

13730 S. Ridgeway Ave. – Area had a partially constructed row of townhomes and a silver van parked in front. As we were driving past, SCOTT drove into the construction site in a white Ford F150 with the license plate 2232369. On 5/17/2021, I searched TLO for this license plate and found it was a 2017 F10 registered to Scotland Construction LLC. The VIN was 1FTEW1EP6HFC83576 and the title had been transferred to Scotland Construction on 4/12/2021.

15600 S. Kedzie Ave – Area had no development and was still a heavily wooded lot.

Aside from these specific addresses, there were new constructions on 139th Place near the site where the open house was taking place, as well as a nearly identical house being constructed on the S. Lawndale Ave north of 139th St. These addresses were all listed by Corona Realty Group. All new construction appeared to be using the same vendors for construction. The most obvious example of this was that all new homes had Jeld-Wen signs in the windows.

At approximately 1322 hours, SA Roseborough and I went to 3703 139th Street for the advertised open house. Inside, we were greeted by Darian who appeared to be with Corona Realty. He confirmed that all of the new construction in the area was by the same developers. The construction was mostly completed, with the exception of outlet covers, lighting, and railings for the stairs. Outside of the house still had a dumpster and garbage from the construction.

As we were leaving the open house, a white pickup truck with the license plate 2621041 pulled up to the cross streets of 139th Place and S. Lawndale Ave. and idled there for several minutes.

At approximately 1344 hours all address checks were completed.

On 5/17/2021, I searched for the license plate 2621041 on TLO and found it belonged to Robbins Development, LLC. For this business, one of the managers is listed as Marvin Wells. Wells appears to be involved with a number of different construction and development companies. On 12/10/2020, SCOTT had posted a live video to his Facebook page with the caption "New Townhouses Going Up In Robbins!!!" The audio on this video was not clear, but SCOTT appeared to introduce another man in the video as "Marv."

On 5/13/2021, a freeze letter was sent to BMO Harris National Bank in order to hold funds in SCOTT and BROWN's accounts that were subject to seizure pursuant to an upcoming warrant.

On 5/14/2021, I received a response from BMO Harris National Bank by fax stating that the accounts were now frozen. Following this correspondence, I received a call on my mobile phone from the number (708) 368-1252 at 1428 hours. On the call a male voice repeatedly said "hello?" and "who is this?" before the call disconnected. Following this, I received two more calls from this number that same day and two on the morning of the 15th.

The phone number (708) 368-1252 is the phone number advertised for the majority of businesses run by SCOTT including Opulent Credit Builders. It is also the phone number he has posted in the past on Facebook comments directing people to contact him. In addition, according to a search on the TransUnion TLOxp (TLO), it is SCOTT's phone number.

On 5/14/2021, I spoke with BMO Harris Bank Investigator Horacio Isais who stated that it was not common practice for the bank to give out phone numbers following freeze orders, but would contact the legal department to see what happened and how much information was given out.

On 5/17/2021, Investigator Isais emailed me and stated that he had spoken with the team that placed the freeze and wrote the notes on the account. He told me the employee who provided the information should have reached out to the freeze team for direction instead of providing the number on the records to the customer. He stated the records are for internal purposes only. In addition, he said he would look into the account history to try and determine which employee may have provided the information.

On 5/17/2021 at 1036 hours, SCOTT attempted to call my mobile phone again and at 1037 hours, he sent a text message stating "Hello Ma'am, I called you last week and I'm trying to see why your number is on my bank account?" Later that day, he called at 1352 hours and then at 1353 hours he sent a text message that said "Hello," followed by "Yooooo" and then a message that said "Let me do some more digging." At 1344 hours, SCOTT texted again "Secret Service" followed immediately by "Lydia Sizemore." At 2006 hours, Scott called by mobile phone again.

Case continued.

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