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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Case Number: 8:24-cr-461-WFJ-NHA

v.

USM Number: 44318-511

STEPHEN L. GURBA

Joseph Poluka, ret.

JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE

Defendant was found guilty to Counts One, Two, Three, Four & Five of the Indictment. Defendant is adjudicated guilty of the following offenses:

<u>Title & Section</u>	<u>Nature of Offense</u>	<u>Date Offense Concluded</u>	<u>Count Number</u>
18 U.S.C. §§ 1343 and 2	Wire Fraud	March 31, 2020	One
18 U.S.C. §§ 1343 and 2	Wire Fraud	April 1, 2020	Two
18 U.S.C. §§ 1028A(a)(1) and 2	Aggravated Identity Theft	On or about March 31, 2020	Three
18 U.S.C. §§ 1028A(a)(1) and 2	Aggravated Identity Theft	On or about April 1, 2020	Four
18 U.S.C. §§ 1014 and 2	False Statement to a Financial Institution	On or about May 9, 2020	Five

Defendant is sentenced as provided in the following pages of this judgment. The sentence is imposed pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984.

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IT IS ORDERED that Defendant must notify the United States Attorney for this district within 30 days of any change of name, residence, or mailing address until all fines, restitution, costs and special assessments imposed by this judgment are fully paid. If ordered to pay restitution, Defendant shall notify the Court and United States Attorney of any material change in Defendant's economic circumstances.

Date of Imposition of Sentence: July 10, 2026



BRIAN STACY MILLER
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Signed: July 10th, 2026

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IMPRISONMENT

Defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the United States Bureau of Prisons to be imprisoned for a total term of **THIRTY (30) MONTHS**. This term consists of a 6-month term as to Counts One, Two & Five and a 24-month term as to Counts Three & Four to run consecutively to the term imposed in Counts One, Two & Five, but concurrently to each other.

The Court makes the following recommendations to the Bureau of Prisons:

1. Placement at FCI Coleman to place the Defendant in reasonable proximity to his family.

Defendant is allowed to voluntarily surrender on or before 2:00 p.m. on August 24, 2026, at the facility designated by the Bureau of Prisons. The defendant is directed to immediately report to the U.S. Marshal for processing and further instructions.

RETURN

I have executed this judgment as follows:

Defendant delivered on _____ to _____

at _____, with a certified copy of this judgment.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL

By: _____
Deputy U.S. Marshal

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SUPERVISED RELEASE

Upon release from imprisonment, Defendant will be on supervised release for a term of **THREE (3) YEARS**. This term consists of a 3-year term as to Counts One, Two & Five and a 1-year term as to Counts Three & Four, all such terms to run concurrently.

MANDATORY CONDITIONS

1. Defendant shall not commit another federal, state or local crime.
2. Defendant shall not unlawfully possess a controlled substance.
3. The mandatory drug testing requirements of the Violent Crime Control Act are suspended.
4. Defendant shall cooperate in the collection of DNA as directed by the Probation Officer.

Defendant shall comply with the standard conditions that have been adopted by this court (set forth below).

Defendant shall also comply with the additional conditions on the attached page.

STANDARD CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION

As part of your supervised release, Defendant shall comply with the following standard conditions of supervision. These conditions are imposed because they establish the basic expectations for your behavior while on supervision and identify the minimum tools needed by Probation Officers to keep informed, report to the court about, and bring about improvements in your conduct and condition.

1. Defendant shall report to the Probation Office in the federal judicial district where you are authorized to reside within 72 hours of your release from imprisonment, unless the Probation Officer instructs you to report to a different Probation Office or within a different time frame.
2. After initially reporting to the Probation Office, you will receive instructions from the court or the Probation Officer about how and when Defendant shall report to the Probation Officer, and Defendant shall report to the Probation Officer as instructed.
3. Defendant shall not knowingly leave the federal judicial district where you are authorized to reside without first getting permission from the court or the Probation Officer.
4. Defendant shall answer truthfully the questions asked by your Probation Officer.

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5. Defendant shall live at a place approved by the Probation Officer. If you plan to change where you live or anything about your living arrangements (such as the people you live with), Defendant shall notify the Probation Officer at least 10 days before the change. If notifying the Probation Officer in advance is not possible due to unanticipated circumstances, Defendant shall notify the Probation Officer within 72 hours of becoming aware of a change or expected change.
6. Defendant shall allow the Probation Officer to visit you at any time at your home or elsewhere, and Defendant shall permit the Probation Officer to take any items prohibited by the conditions of your supervision that he or she observes in plain view.
7. Defendant shall work full time (at least 30 hours per week) at a lawful type of employment, unless the Probation Officer excuses you from doing so. If you do not have full-time employment Defendant shall try to find full-time employment, unless the Probation Officer excuses you from doing so. If you plan to change where you work or anything about your work (such as your position or your job responsibilities), Defendant shall notify the Probation Officer at least 10 days before the change. If notifying the Probation Officer at least 10 days in advance is not possible due to unanticipated circumstances, Defendant shall notify the Probation Officer within 72 hours of becoming aware of a change or expected change.
8. Defendant shall not communicate or interact with someone you know is engaged in criminal activity. If you know someone has been convicted of a felony, Defendant shall not knowingly communicate or interact with that person without first getting the permission of the Probation Officer.
9. If you are arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer, Defendant shall notify the Probation Officer within **72 hours**.
10. Defendant shall not own, possess, or have access to a firearm, ammunition, destructive device, or dangerous weapon (i.e., anything that was designed, or was modified for, the specific purpose of causing bodily injury or death to another person such as nunchakus or tasers).
11. Defendant shall not act or make any agreement with a law enforcement agency to act as a confidential human source or informant without first getting the permission of the court.
12. If the Probation Officer determines that you pose a risk to another person (including an organization), the Probation Officer may require you to notify the person about the risk and Defendant shall comply with that instruction. The Probation Officer may contact the person and confirm that you have notified the person about the risk.
13. Defendant shall follow the instructions of the Probation Officer related to the conditions of supervision.

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U.S. Probation Office Use Only

A U.S. Probation Officer has instructed me on the conditions specified by the court and has provided me with a written copy of this judgment containing these conditions. For further information regarding these conditions, see *Overview of Probation and Supervised Release Conditions*, available at: www.uscourts.gov.

Defendant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISED RELEASE

1. The defendant shall be prohibited from incurring new credit charges, opening additional lines of credit, or obligating yourself for any major purchases without approval of the probation officer.
2. The defendant shall provide the probation officer access to any requested financial information.

CRIMINAL MONETARY PENALTIES

Defendant must pay the following total criminal monetary penalties under the schedule of payments set forth in the Schedule of Payments.

<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Restitution</u>	<u>Fine</u>	AVAA <u>Assessment*</u>	JVTA <u>Assessment**</u>
\$500.00	\$1,160,448.75	Waived	Not Imposed	Not Imposed

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Having assessed Defendant's ability to pay, payment of the total criminal monetary penalties is due as follows:

Special Assessment: Shall be paid in full and is due immediately.

*Amy, Vicky, and Andy Child Pornography Victim Assistance Act of 2018, Pu. L. No. 115-299.

**Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act of 2015, Pub. L. No. 114-22.

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Restitution: Defendant shall pay restitution in the total amount of \$1,160,448.75. This restitution obligation shall be payable to the Clerk, U.S. District Court, for distribution to the Small Business Administration. While in Bureau of Prisons custody, defendant shall either (1) pay at least \$25 quarterly if he has a non-Unicor job or (2) pay at least 50% of his monthly earnings if he has a Unicor job. Upon release from custody, the defendant is ordered to begin making payments of 10% of the defendant's gross monthly income, with a minimum payment of \$300 per month, and this payment schedule shall continue until such time as the Court is notified by the victim, the government, or the defendant that there has been a material change in the defendant's ability to pay. The Court finds the defendant does not have the ability to pay interest and waives the interest requirement for the restitution.

<u>Name of Payee</u>	<u>Restitution Ordered</u>
Clerk, U.S. District Court ATTN: DCU 401 W. Central Boulevard Suite 2100 Orlando, FL 32801 For distribution to the victim. SBA/DFC 721 19 th St. 3rd Floor, Room 301 Denver, CO 80202	\$1,160,448.75
Total	\$1,160,448.75

Unless the Court has expressly ordered otherwise in the special instructions above, if this judgment imposes a period of imprisonment, payment of criminal monetary penalties shall be due during the period of imprisonment. All criminal monetary penalties, except those payments made through the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Inmate Financial Responsibility Program, are made to the Clerk of the Court, unless otherwise directed by the Court, the Probation Officer, or the United States attorney.

Defendant shall receive credit for all payments previously made toward any criminal monetary penalties imposed.

Payments shall be applied in the following order: (1) assessment, (2) restitution principal, (3) restitution interest, (4) AVAA assessment, (5) fine principal, (6) fine interest, (7) community restitution, (8) JVTA assessment, and (9) penalties, and (10) costs, including cost of prosecution and court costs.

FORFEITURE

Forfeiture determination held in abeyance.