

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

Case No. 8:25-cr-481-TPB-LSG

CLARENCE GARDENER

ORDER OF FORFEITURE

The defendant pled guilty to Count One of the Indictment, a wire fraud scheme, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1343. The United States has established that the defendant obtained \$261,253 in proceeds as a result of the offense charged in Count One.

The United States moved under 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C), 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c) and Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 32.2(b)(2), for entry of an order of forfeiture in the amount of \$261,253, which shall be a final order of forfeiture as to the defendant at sentencing. The United States' motion is **GRANTED**. The defendant is liable for an order of forfeiture in the amount of \$261,253.

The proceeds of the offense were transferred to third parties, and the United States cannot locate the proceeds upon the exercise of due diligence. Accordingly, under 21 U.S.C. § 853(p), the United States may seek, as a substitute asset in

satisfaction of this judgment, forfeiture of any of the defendant's property up to the \$261,253 order of forfeiture. The court retains jurisdiction to enter any order necessary to the forfeiture and disposition of any substitute asset.

ORDERED in Tampa, Florida, on June 2, 2026.



TOM BARBER
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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