

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO. 22-CR-60028-DIMITROULEAS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

LUKE JOSELIN,

Defendant.

PRELIMINARY ORDER OF FORFEITURE

THIS MATTER is before the Court upon motion of the United States of America (the “United States”) for entry of a Preliminary Order of Forfeiture (“Motion”) against Defendant Luke Joselin (the “Defendant”). The Court has considered the Motion, is otherwise advised in the premises, and finds as follows:

On February 24, 2022, a federal grand jury returned an Indictment charging the Defendant in Count 1 with Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1349, in Counts 2-10 with wire fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1343, among other counts. Indictment, ECF No. 1. The Indictment also contained forfeiture allegations, which alleged that upon conviction of a violation of, or a conspiracy to commit a violation of, 18 U.S.C. § 1343, the Defendant shall forfeit to the United States any property constituting, or derived from, proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as the result of such offenses, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(2)(A). *Id.* at 10.

On August 18, 2022, after a trial, a jury returned a verdict convicting the Defendant on Counts 1-10, and Count 12. *See* Trial Minute Entries, ECF No. 54, 55, 57; Jury Verdict, ECF No. 59.

From May 2020 through August 2020, the Defendant conspired with others to submit

fraudulent PPP loan applications. Final Presentence Investigation Report, ECF No. 87, ¶ 19 at 7.

The evidence presented at trial demonstrated that, of the loans taken through the conspiracy, the Defendant obtained \$396,477 in proceeds from loans in counts 2, 7, and 8. The Defendant applied for the loan in Count 2 in his own name as a sole proprietorship (Ex. 2a), and received \$27,005 (Ex. 2f). The Defendant applied for the loan in Count 7 in the name of 24Hour Printing, (Ex. 7a), and received \$186,972 (Ex. 7h). The Defendant applied for the loan in Count 8 in the name of Hug a Print, (Ex. 8a), and received \$182,500 (Ex. 8g). The Defendant owns both 24Hour Printing and Hug a Print. ECF No. 87 ¶ 16 at 7, ¶¶ 26-27 at 9, ¶ 76 at 18.

Further, these loans impacted financial institutions: BlueVine Capital, Inc., which, with Celtic Bank, offered PPP loans, ECF No. 87 ¶ 14 at 6; and Kabbage, Inc., which offered PPP loans. *Id.* ¶ 15 at 7. Both were approved Small Business Administration PPP lenders. *Id.*

Based on the record in this case, the total value of the proceeds traceable to the offenses of conviction is \$396,477, which sum may be sought as a forfeiture money judgment pursuant to Rule 32.2 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

Accordingly, based on the foregoing, the evidence in the record, and for good cause shown, the Motion is **GRANTED**, and it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

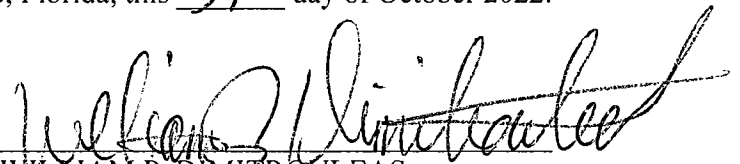
1. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(2)(A) and Rule 32.2 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, a forfeiture money judgment in the amount of \$396,477 is hereby entered against the Defendant.

2. The United States is authorized to conduct any discovery that might be necessary to identify, locate, or dispose of forfeited property, and to resolve any third-party petition, pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(3), (c)(1)(B) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure and 21 U.S.C. § 853(m).

3. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(4) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, this Order is final as to the Defendant.

4. The Court shall retain jurisdiction in this matter for the purpose of enforcing this Order, and pursuant to Rule 32.2(e)(1) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, shall amend this Order, or enter other orders as necessary, to forfeit additional specific property when identified.

DONE AND ORDERED in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 31 day of October 2022.


WILLIAM P. DIMITROULEAS
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE