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Broward County Resident Sentenced to Three Years In Prison for Identity Theft

A Hallandale resident was sentenced yesterday, by United States District Court Senior Judge William J. Zloch, to 36 months in prison, to be followed by three years of supervised release.

Benjamin G. Greenberg, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida, and Rafiq Ahmad, Special Agent in Charge, United States Department of Labor, Office of Inspector General (DOL-OIG), made the announcement.

Tarik Jean-Jourdian, 25, previously pled guilty to one count of use of one or more unauthorized access devices to obtain anything of value aggregating \$1,000 or more, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1029(a)(2), and one count of aggravated identity theft, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1028A(a)(1).

According to court documents, an analysis of ATM video footage revealed that, between April 15 and May 15, 2015, the PNC Bank account issued to a victim was accessed on at least six different occasions, to withdraw a total of \$2,800, from various PNC Bank ATMs by defendant Jourdian. On February 8, 2016, law enforcement executed a search warrant on Jourdian's Hallandale residence and vehicle. During the course of the search of defendant's car, agents seized numerous handwritten and typed pieces of paper containing the personal identifying information (PII) of other individuals, including names, dates of birth and social security numbers. In total, there were approximately 200 pieces of distinct PII found in the defendant's vehicle.

Law enforcement spoke with the individual whose name, date of birth, and social security number were used to open the PNC Bank account, and confirmed that he/she did not authorize Jean-Jourdian to be in possession of the PII.

Mr. Greenberg commended the investigative efforts of DOL-OIG. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Joshua S. Rothstein and Breezye Telfair.

A copy of this press release may be found on the website of the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Florida at www.usdoj.gov/usao/fls. Related court documents and information may be found on the website of the District Court for the Southern District of Florida at www.flsd.uscourts.gov or on <http://pacer.flsd.uscourts.gov>.