

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

SUPERSEDING INDICTMENT FOR CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT MAIL FRAUD,
MAIL FRAUD, CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT MONEY LAUNDERING,
MONEY LAUNDERING, OBSTRUCTION OF TRUTHFUL INFORMATION TO LAW
ENFORCEMENT AND FALSE STATEMENTS ON TAX RETURN

V. * SECTION: "C" (5)

VIOLATIONS: 18 USC § 2
18 USC § 371
18 USC § 1341
18 USC § 1512(b)(2)(C)
18 USC § 1512(d)(2)
18 USC § 1956(b)

18 USC § 1956(h) 18 USC § 1957 26 USC § 7206(1)

The Grand Jury charges that:

COUNT 1

CONSPIRACY

A. AT ALL TIMES MATERIAL HEREIN:

1. **DOMINICK FAZZIO** (hereafter referred to as "FAZZIO") was a practicing accountant and tax preparer residing and doing business in Louisiana.

- 2. Garner Services, L.L.C. and its owners (hereafter referred to as "GSL") was a construction management company and a non-Louisiana corporation doing business in the State of Louisiana and other states in the United States.
- Mark J. Titus (hereafter referred to as Titus) was the Chief Operating
 Officer and part owner of GSL. Further, Titus' brother-in-law was DOMINICK FAZZIO.
- 4. Westside Construction Services, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as WCS) was a business incorporated in the State of Louisiana. **DOMINICK FAZZIO** was the Registered Agent, Director, and an officer of WCS. The wife of **DOMINICK FAZZIO** was listed as a director and an officer of WCS on official documents. **FAZZIO** used his residence address as the main business address for WCS.
- 5. Crescent City Materials and Hauling, L.L.C. (hereafter referred to as CCMH) was a Limited Liability Company registered in the State of Louisiana. **FAZZIO** was the only Registered Agent and Manager of CCMH. Further, CCMH was created by **FAZZIO** on or about May 20, 2008.
- 6. TLT Properties, L.L.C. (hereafter referred to as TLT) was a Limited Liability Company registered in the State of Louisiana. Further, Property 348, L.L.C. was a Limited Liability Company registered in the State of Louisiana. Titus was the Registered Agent and Member of TLT and Property 348.
- 7. QCI Marine Offshore, L.L.C. (hereafter referred to as QCI) was a non-Louisiana Limited Liability Company doing business in the State of Louisiana and other states in the United States. QCI was also a owner of GSL and was entitled to share in

profits of GSL. QCI was responsible for processing the accounts payable for GSL at the behest of Titus.

8. E.G. was also a part owner of GSL and, therefore, entitled to share in the profits of GSL.

B. THE SCHEME AND ARTIFICE TO DEFRAUD:

Beginning at a time unknown but prior to on or about May 20, 2008, through the date of this Superseding Indictment, in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, the defendant, **DOMINICK FAZZIO**, and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury did knowingly and willfully devise and intend to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud GSL and its owners and to obtain money by means of false pretenses, promises and representations by creating and submitting fraudulent invoices for services never rendered to GSL and its owners and, thereafter, causing payments to be made by GSL and its owners ultimately to **FAZZIO** and Titus.

C. THE CONSPIRACY:

Beginning at time unknown, but before on or about May 20, 2008, and continuing through the date of this Superseding Indictment, in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, the defendant, **DOMINICK FAZZIO** and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, did knowingly and intentionally combine, conspire, confederate and agree with each other to knowingly and willfully cause mail matter to be delivered by interstate commercial carriers for the purpose of executing the scheme set forth above in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1341.

D. OVERT ACTS:

In furtherance of the conspiracy and to accomplish its purposes, the defendant and others committed the following overt acts, among others, in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere:

OVERT ACTS 1 - 24

- 1. On or about May 20, 2008, **FAZZIO** created CCMH for the purpose of facilitating the scheme and artifice to defraud GSL described in Section B of Count 1. Further, on or about July 3, 2008, **FAZZIO** created a bank account for CCMH for the sole purpose of receiving and laundering the illegal proceeds obtained from GSL.
- At an exact time unknown but prior to on or about June 2, 2008, FAZZIO
 and Titus agreed to create fraudulent invoices made payable from GSL to
 companies controlled by FAZZIO.
- 3. At an exact time unknown but prior to on or about June 2, 2008, FAZZIO and Titus agreed that they would split the illegal proceeds of the scheme to defraud GSL by laundering the illegal proceeds through the companies controlled by FAZZIO.
- 4. On or about June 2, 2008, **FAZZIO** and Titus created a false and fraudulent CCMH invoice and submitted it to GSL for payment in the amount of \$84,200.
- 5. As a result of a fraudulent invoice submitted by **FAZZIO** and Titus, QCI issued a check on behalf of GSL to CCMH in the amount of \$84,200 on or

- about June 11, 2008.
- 6. On or about November 28, 2008, **FAZZIO** and Titus created a false and fraudulent CCMH invoice and submitted it to GSL for payment in the amount of \$108,400.
- As a result of a fraudulent invoice submitted by FAZZIO and Titus, QCI issued a check on behalf of GSL to CCMH in the amount of \$108,400, on or about December 10, 2008.
- 8. On or about November 28, 2010, **FAZZIO** and Titus created a false and fraudulent CCMH invoice in the amount of \$36,400, and submitted it to GSL for payment.
- 9. As a result of a fraudulent invoice submitted by FAZZIO and Titus, QCI issued a check on behalf of GSL to CCMH in the amount of \$36,400, on or about January 4, 2011.
- On or about September 4, 2009, FAZZIO and Titus created a false and fraudulent WCS invoice in the amount of \$209,320, and submitted it to GSL for payment.
- 11. As a result of a fraudulent invoice submitted by **FAZZIO** and Titus, QCI issued a check on behalf of GSL to WCS in the amount of \$209,320, on or about October 9, 2009.
- 12. On or about January 4, 2010, **FAZZIO** and Titus created a false and fraudulent WCS invoice in the amount of \$762,000, and submitted it to GSL for payment.
- 13. As a result of a fraudulent invoice submitted by FAZZIO and Titus, QCI

- issued a check on behalf of GSL to WCS in the amount of \$162,000, on or about April 21, 2010.
- 14. As a result of a fraudulent invoice submitted by **FAZZIO** and Titus, QCI mailed to Mark Titus, via Federal Express, a check in the amount of \$162,000, on or about April 21, 2010.
- 15. As a result of a fraudulent invoice submitted by **FAZZIO** and Titus, QCI issued a check on behalf of GSL to WCS in the amount of \$175,000, on or about October 6, 2010.
- 16. As a result of a fraudulent invoice submitted by **FAZZIO** and Titus, QCI mailed to Mark Titus, via Federal Express, a check in the amount of \$175,000, on or about October 6, 2010.
- 17. As a result of a fraudulent invoice submitted by **FAZZIO** and Titus, QCI issued a check on behalf of GSL to WCS in the amount of \$150,000, on or about March 24, 2011.
- 18. As a result of a fraudulent invoice submitted by **FAZZIO** and Titus, QCI mailed to Mark Titus, via Federal Express, a check in the amount of \$150,000, on or about March 24, 2011.
- 19. On or about April 11, 2009, the defendant, **DOMINICK FAZZIO**, submitted a false 2008 U.S. Tax Return Form 1040 (filed jointly) wherein **FAZZIO** fraudulently reported \$175,400 as legitimate expenses in the form of cost of goods sold for CCMH, but which was actually illegal payments to Titus used to conceal **FAZZIO's** and Titus' scheme in the defrauding of GSL

- and its owners.
- 20. On or about November 1, 2009, **FAZZIO** prepared a false 2008 U.S. Tax Return for Titus in order to conceal the illegal payments that Titus received from his criminal conduct with **FAZZIO**.
- 21. On or about July 16, 2010, **FAZZIO** prepared a false 2009 U.S. Tax Return for Titus in order to conceal the illegal payments that Titus received from his criminal conduct with **FAZZIO**.
- On or about May 13, 2011, **DOMINICK FAZZIO**, in an attempt to obstruct truthful information to federal law enforcement agents, instructed Titus to fabricate false documents to conceal **FAZZIO's** and Titus' illegal activities.
- On or about May 13, 2011, **DOMINICK FAZZIO**, in an attempt to obstruct truthful information to federal law enforcement agents, instructed Titus to fabricate a false story to federal agents in an attempt to conceal **FAZZIO's** and Titus' illegal activities.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 371.

COUNTS 2 - 4

MAIL FRAUD

A. AT ALL TIMES MATERIAL HEREIN:

The allegations contained in Sections A, B and D of Count 1 are reincorporated herein by reference.

B. MAILINGS:

On or about the dates listed below, in the Eastern District of Louisiana, the defendant, **DOMINICK FAZZIO** and others as set forth below, for the purpose of executing the scheme and artifice to defraud set forth in Count 1, knowingly and willfully caused the following checks to be placed in interstate commercial carriers for delivery to the recipient listed below:

COUNT	DATE	SENDER	RECIPIENT	CONTENTS
2	04/21/2010	QCI Marine Offshore, LLC	Mark J. Titus	Check in the amount of \$162,000
3	10/06/2010	QCI Marine Offshore, LLC	Mark J. Titus	Check in the amount of \$175,000
4	03/24/2011	QCI Marine Offshore, LLC	Mark J. Titus	Check in the amount of \$150,000

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.

COUNT 5

MONEY LAUNDERING CONSPIRACY

A. AT ALL TIMES MATERIAL HEREIN:

 The allegations contained in Sections A, B and D of Count 1 are reincorporated herein by reference.

- 2. Capital One Bank is a financial institution with branches located in Louisiana.
- 3. Gulf Coast Bank and Trust is a financial institution with branches located in Louisiana.
- 4. Amegy Bank of Texas is a financial institution with branches located in Texas.
- CCMH maintains a checking account, number xxxxxx7816, with Capital
 One Bank.
- 6. WCS maintains a checking account, number xxxxxx2213, with Capital One Bank.
- 7. WCS maintains a checking account, number xxxxx9984, with Gulf Coast Bank and Trust.
- 8. GSL maintains a checking account, number xxxxxx4664, with Amegy Bank.
- 9. A specified unlawful activity as defined in Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956(c)(7)(A) and 1961(1) includes mail fraud in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1341.

B. CONSPIRACY:

Beginning at a time unknown, but before on or about May 20, 2008, and continuing through the date of this Indictment, in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, the defendant, **DOMINICK FAZZIO**, and others, did, with the intent to promote the carrying on of the specified unlawful activity set forth in paragraph 9,

above, combine, conspire, confederate and agree with each other to knowingly and willfully conduct and attempt to conduct financial transactions affecting interstate and foreign commerce, as further described below which involved the proceeds of said specified unlawful activity with the intent to promote the carrying on of specified unlawful activity and that while conducting and attempting to conduct financial transactions knew that the property involved in the financial transactions, that is funds, represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(A)(i).

C. OVERT ACTS:

On or about the dates below, **FAZZIO** and others caused the following checks from GSL, constituting payments for fraudulent invoices, made payable to CCMH to be deposited in CCMH's account, number xxxxx7816, located at Capital One Bank:

OVERT ACT	DATE OF CHECK	CHECK NUMBER	AMOUNT
1	06/11/2008	2181	\$ 84,200
2	12/10/2008	2253	\$108,400
3	01/04/2011	2814	\$ 36,400

On or about the dates below, **FAZZIO** and others caused the following checks from GSL constituting payments for fraudulent invoices made payable to WCS to be deposited in WCS's account, number xxxxx2213, located at Capital One Bank.

OVERT ACT	DATE OF CHECK	CHECK NUMBER	AMOUNT
4	10/9/2009	2462	\$209,320
5	04/21/2010	2623	\$162,000

On or about the dates below, **FAZZIO** and others caused the following checks from GSL, constituting payments for fraudulent invoices, made payable to WCS to be deposited in WCS's account, number xxxxxy9984, located at Gulf Coast Bank and Trust.

OVERT ACT	DATE OF CHECK	CHECK NUMBER	<u>AMOUNT</u>
6	10/6/2010	2755	\$175,000
7	03/24/2011	2882	\$150,000

On or about the dates below, **FAZZIO** endorsed the following checks from CCMH's account, number xxxxx7816, located at Capital One Bank, made payable to TLT, constituting proceeds derived from the specified unlawful activity.

OVERT ACT	DATE OF CHECK	CHECK NUMBER	AMOUNT
8	07/18/2008	1000	\$25,000
9	07/18/2008	1001	\$25,000
10	07/18/2008	1002	\$25,000
11	12/31/2008	1007	\$25,000
12	12/31/2008	1008	\$20,000
13	12/31/2008	1009	\$21,400

On or about the dates below, **FAZZIO** endorsed the following checks from WCS's account, number xxxxx2213, located at Capital One Bank, made payable to TLT, constituting proceeds derived from the specified unlawful activity.

OVERT ACT	DATE OF CHECK	CHECK NUMBER	<u>AMOUNT</u>
14	11/02/2009	629	\$66,682.91
15	05/02/2010	635	\$30,000
16	05/05/2010	636	\$26,000
17	05/06/2010	637	\$39,850

OVERT ACT	DATE OF CHECK	CHECK NUMBER	<u>AMOUNT</u>
18	05/07/2010	638	\$32,000
19	05/08/2010	640	\$22,000

On or about the dates below, **FAZZIO** endorsed the following checks from WCS's account, number xxxxx9984, located at Gulf Coast Bank and Trust, made payable to TLT, constituting proceeds derived from the specified unlawful activity.

OVERT ACT	DATE OF CHECK	CHECK NUMBER	AMOUNT
20	04/24/2011	1002	\$50,000
21	04/25/2011	1003	\$35,000

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h).

COUNTS 6 - 19

MONEY LAUNDERING

On or about the dates indicated below, in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, defendant, **DOMINICK FAZZIO**, did knowingly engage and attempt to engage in monetary transactions by, through or to a financial institution, affecting interstate commerce, in criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, that is the deposit, withdrawal, and transfer of funds in the amounts indicated below, such property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, that is mail fraud in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1341 involving mailings in furtherance of the scheme.

COUNT	DATE OF TRANSACTION	TYPE OF TRANSACTION	PAYEE	AMOUNT
6	07/18/2008	Check	TLT Properties	\$25,000
7	07/18/2008	Check	TLT Properties	\$25,000

COUNT	DATE OF TRANSACTION	TYPE OF TRANSACTION	PAYEE	AMOUNT
8	07/18/2008	Check	TLT Properties	\$25,000
9	12/31/2008	Check	TLT Properties	\$25,000
10	12/31/2008	Check	TLT Properties	\$20,000
11	12/31/2008	Check	TLT Properties	\$21,400
12	11/02/2009	Check	TLT Properties	\$66,682.91
13	05/02/2010	Check	TLT Properties	\$30,000
14	05/05/2010	Check	TLT Properties	\$26,000
15	05/06/2010	Check	TLT Properties	\$39,850
16	05/07/2010	Check	TLT Properties	\$32,000
17	05/08/2010	Check	TLT Properties	\$22,000
18	04/24/2011	Check	TLT Properties	\$50,000
19	04/25/2011	Check	TLT Properties	\$35,000

all in violation of Title 18, United Sates Code, Sections 1957 and 2.

COUNT 20

OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

A. AT ALL TIMES MATERIAL HEREIN:

1. The allegations contained in Sections A, B and D of Count 1 are reincorporated herein by reference.

B. OBSTRUCTION OF TRUTHFUL INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT BY PROVIDING FALSE DOCUMENTS:

On or about May 13, 2011, in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, the defendant, **DOMINICK FAZZIO**, did knowingly corruptly persuade and attempt to knowingly corruptly persuade Mark Titus by causing and inducing Titus to produce false documents in an official proceeding designed to conceal **FAZZIO's** criminal conduct;

all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1512(b)(2)(C) and 2.

COUNT 21

OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

A. AT ALL TIMES MATERIAL HEREIN:

1. The allegations contained in Sections A, B and D of Count 1 are reincorporated herein by reference.

B. OBSTRUCTION OF TRUTHFUL INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT:

On or about May 13, 2011, in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, the defendant, **DOMINICK FAZZIO**, did intentionally harass and attempt to harass Mark Titus in order to hinder, delay, prevent, and dissuade Mark Titus from reporting to law enforcement officials truthful information;

all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1512(d)(2) and 2.

COUNT 22

FALSE TAX RETURN

A. AT ALL TIMES MATERIAL HEREIN:

1. The allegations contained in Sections A, B and D of Count 1 are reincorporated herein by reference.

B. FALSE STATEMENTS ON TAX RETURNS:

On or about April 11, 2009 in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, the defendant, **DOMINICK FAZZIO**, then a resident of Harvey, Louisiana, did willfully make and subscribe a 2008 U.S. Individual Income Tax Return Form 1040 (filed jointly), which was verified by a written declaration that it was made under the penalties of perjury and which **DOMINICK FAZZIO** did not believe to be true and correct as to every

material matter. That the 2008 Tax Return Form 1040, which was filed with the Internal Revenue Service, stated and contained an amount of \$175,400.00 that **DOMINICK FAZZIO** falsely reported as cost of goods sold (expenses) on Part I and Part III of his 2008 Schedule C, which said amount was not, in fact, legitimate and actual expenses for cost of goods sold, whereas, as **DOMINICK FAZZIO** then and well knew the figure of approximately \$175,400.00 actually represented illegal payments to Mark Titus in order to conceal the criminal activity described in this superseding indictment;

all in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7206(1).

NOTICE OF MAIL FRAUD FORFEITURE

- 1. The allegations of Counts 1 through 4 of this Superseding Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though set forth fully herein for the purpose of alleging forfeiture to the United States of America pursuant to the provisions of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 371, 1341, and 981(a)(1)(C), made applicable through Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).
- 2. As a result of the offenses alleged in Counts 1 through 4 defendant, **DOMINICK FAZZIO**, shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to Title 18, United States

 Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), made applicable through Title 28, United States Code,

 Section 2461(c), any and all property, real or personal, which constitutes or is derived

 from proceeds traceable to a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 371

 and 1341, including but not limited to:
 - a. \$1,200,320 in United States currency and all interest an proceeds traceable thereto.
 - b. The government specifically provides notice of its intent to seek a personal money judgement against the defendant in the amount of the fraudulently obtained proceeds.

- c. Gulf Coast Bank Account Number: 100429984, in the name of Westside Construction Service in the amount of \$26,052.53.
- 3. If any of the property subject to forfeiture, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:
 - a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
 - b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;
 - c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
 - d. has been substantially diminished in value; or
 - e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be subdivided without difficulty;

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of said defendant up to the value of the above forfeitable property.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 371,1341, and 981(a)(1)(C), made applicable through Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

NOTICE OF MONEY LAUNDERING FORFEITURE

- 1. The allegations of Counts 5 through 19 of this Superseding Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though set forth fully herein for the purpose of alleging forfeiture to the United States of America pursuant to the provisions of Title 18, United States Code, Section 982.
- 2. As a result of the offenses alleged in Count 5 through 19, defendant, **DOMINICK FAZZIO**, shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to Title 18, United States

 Code, Section 982, all property real or personal, involved in the aforesaid offenses and all property traceable to such property in violation of Title 18, United States Code,

Sections 1956 and 1957, including but not limited to:

- a. \$1,200,320 in United States currency and all interest an proceeds traceable thereto.
- b. The government specifically provides notice of its intent to seek a personal money judgement against the defendant in the amount of the fraudulently obtained proceeds.
- c. Gulf Coast Bank Account Number: 100429984, in the name of Westside Construction Service in the amount of \$26,052.53.
- 3. If any of the property subject to forfeiture, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:
 - a cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
 - b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;
 - c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
 - d. has been substantially diminished in value; or
 - e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be subdivided without difficulty;

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(b)(1) to seek forfeiture of any other property of said defendant up to the value of the above forfeitable property.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 982, 1956, and 1957.

NOTICE OF OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE FORFEITURE

1. The allegations of Counts 20 and 21 of this Superseding Indictment are realleged and incorporated by reference as though set forth fully herein for the purpose of alleging forfeiture to the United States of America pursuant to the provisions of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1512 and 981(a)(1)(C), made applicable through Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

- 2. As a result of the offenses alleged in Counts 20 and 21, defendant, **DOMINICK FAZZIO**, shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to Title 18, United States

 Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), made applicable through Title 28, United States Code,

 Section 2461(c), any and all property, real or personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1512.
- 3. If any of the property subject to forfeiture, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:
 - a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
 - b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;
 - c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
 - d. has been substantially diminished in value; or
 - e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be subdivided without difficulty;

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of said defendant up to the value of the above forfeitable property.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1512 and 981(a)(1)(C), made applicable through Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

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