#### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

#### FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : CRIMINAL NO. 10 - 069

v. : DATE FILED: February 4, 2010

RONALD S. BELL, : VIOLATIONS:

a/k/a "Khalid," 18 U.S.C. § 371 (conspiracy – 1

ALANA J. BELL : count)

18 U.S.C. § 473 (dealing in

: counterfeit currency – 1 count)

18 U.S.C. § 472 (possession of

: counterfeit currency with intent

to defraud – 1 count)

: 18 U.S.C. § 471 (manufacturing

**counterfeit currency – 1 count)** 

: 18 U.S.C. § 472 (passing

**counterfeit currency – 5 counts)** 

: 18 U.S.C. § 2 (aiding and abetting)

**Notice of forfeiture** 

#### **INDICTMENT**

#### **COUNT ONE**

#### THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

1. From on or about December 1, 2009, until on or about January 7, 2010, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendants

RONALD S. BELL, a/k/a "Khalid," and ALANA J. BELL

conspired and agreed, together and with others unknown to the grand jury, to commit offenses against the United States, that is, to knowingly: (a) sell, exchange, transfer and deliver false, forged, and counterfeited obligations of the United States with the intent that they be passed and used as true and genuine; (b) possess and conceal false, forged, and counterfeited obligations of

the United States with the intent to defraud; and (c) make, forge, and counterfeit obligations of the United States with intent to defraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 471, 472 and 473.

#### MANNER AND MEANS

It was a part of the conspiracy that:

- 2. Defendants RONALD S. BELL, a/k/a "Khalid," and ALANA J. BELL agreed to make, sell and pass counterfeit United States Federal Reserve Notes ("FRNs").
- 3. Defendant RONALD S. BELL made, forged and counterfeited the currency in the defendants' home.
- 4. Defendant ALANA J. BELL arranged to sell the counterfeit FRNs for genuine currency, charging only a fraction of the counterfeit currency's face "value."
- 5. Defendants ALANA J. BELL and RONALD S. BELL transported the counterfeit currency for delivery.

#### **OVERT ACTS**

In furtherance of the conspiracy and to accomplish its objects, defendants RONALD S. BELL and ALANA J. BELL, and others unknown to the grand jury, committed the following overt acts, among others, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and elsewhere:

- 1. On or about December 31, 2009:
- a. Defendant ALANA J. BELL agreed to sell counterfeit FRNs to another person (the "buyer"). Unknown to defendant ALANA J. BELL, the buyer was working with law enforcement agents in making the purchase. Defendant ALANA J. BELL agreed to sell counterfeit FRNs having a face value of \$1,000 to the buyer in exchange for \$300 genuine United

States currency from the buyer; and

- b. defendant ALANA J. BELL agreed with the buyer that the exchange would occur later that day at a location in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and defendant ALANA J. BELL stated to the buyer that another person would deliver the counterfeit currency.
- c. defendant RONALD S. BELL arrived at the agreed upon time and location in a vehicle registered in his own name and delivered counterfeit FRNs having a face value of \$1,000 to the buyer in exchange for \$300 genuine United States currency.
- 2. On or about January 7, 2010, defendants RONALD S. BELL and ALANA J. BELL possessed at their residence on North 12th Street in Philadelphia numerous counterfeit \$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100 FRNs along with both genuine currency and counterfeit currency bearing the serial numbers of counterfeit FRNs that had been passed as genuine in retail stores in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and equipment and paraphernalia used to manufacture counterfeit currency.

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

# **COUNT TWO**

## THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about December 31, 2009, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendants

RONALD S. BELL, a/k/a "Khalid," and ALANA J. BELL,

sold, exchanged, transferred and delivered, and aided and abetted the sale, exchange, transfer and delivery of, falsely made, forged, and counterfeited obligations of the United States, that is, approximately \$1,000 in counterfeit Federal Reserve Notes, with the intent that they be passed and used as true and genuine.

## **COUNT THREE**

# THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about January 7, 2010, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendants

RONALD S. BELL a/k/a "Khalid," and ALANA J. BELL,

with intent to defraud, concealed and possessed, and aided and abetted the concealment and possession of, falsely made, forged, and counterfeited obligations of the United States, that is, counterfeit \$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100 Federal Reserve Notes.

# **COUNT FOUR**

# THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

From on or about December 4, 2009, to on or about January 7, 2010, in

Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendants

RONALD S. BELL a/k/a "Khalid," and ALANA J. BELL

with intent to defraud, falsely made, forged, and counterfeited obligations of the United States, that is, counterfeit \$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100 Federal Reserve Notes.

# **COUNT FIVE**

## THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about December 4, 2009, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

# RONALD S. BELL a/k/a "Khalid,"

with intent to defraud, passed, uttered, published and sold, and aided and abetted the passing, uttering, publication and sale of, falsely made, forged, and counterfeited obligations of the United States, that is, approximately \$1,050 in counterfeit \$50 Federal Reserve Notes.

# **COUNT SIX**

## THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about December 11, 2009, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

# RONALD S. BELL a/k/a "Khalid,"

with intent to defraud, passed, uttered, published and sold, and aided and abetted the passing, uttering, publication and sale of, falsely made, forged, and counterfeited obligations of the United States, that is, approximately \$950 in counterfeit \$50 and \$100 Federal Reserve Notes.

## **COUNT SEVEN**

# THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about December 14, 2009, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

# RONALD S. BELL a/k/a "Khalid,"

with intent to defraud, passed, uttered, published and sold, and aided and abetted the passing, uttering, publication and sale of, falsely made, forged, and counterfeited obligations of the United States, that is, approximately \$1000 in counterfeit \$100 Federal Reserve Notes.

## **COUNT EIGHT**

# THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about December 16, 2009, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

# RONALD S. BELL a/k/a "Khalid,"

with intent to defraud, passed, uttered, published and sold, and aided and abetted the passing, uttering, publication and sale of, falsely made, forged, and counterfeited obligations of the United States, that is, approximately \$2000 in counterfeit \$100 Federal Reserve Notes.

# **COUNT NINE**

## THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about December 22, 2009, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

# RONALD S. BELL a/k/a "Khalid,"

with intent to defraud, passed, uttered, published and sold, and aided and abetted the passing, uttering, publication and sale of, falsely made, forged, and counterfeited obligations of the United States, that is, approximately \$1,000 in counterfeit Federal Reserve Notes.

#### NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

#### THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

As a result of the violations of Title 18, United States Code, Section 472, as set forth in this indictment, defendants

RONALD S. BELL, a/k/a "Khalid," and ALANA J. BELL,

shall forfeit to the United States of America all counterfeits of any obligations of the United States and any articles, devices or other things made, possessed, or used in the commission of this offense, and any material and apparatus used or fitted or intended to be used, in the making of such counterfeits, articles, devices or things, found in defendants' possession without authority from the Secretary of the Treasury, including, but not limited to: (a) one Cannon All-in-One Fax Copier Scanner Printer MX 300 (serial number unknown); (b) 1 Epson C 60 Printer White Serial DQQY477878; (c) one Epson All-in-One Fax Copier Scanner Printer NX 300 (serial number unknown); and (d) all genuine currency bearing serial numbers that match the counterfeit currency either manufactured, sold, passed or possessed by the defendants.

All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 492, and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461.

A TRUE BILL:	
FOREPERSON	

/s/ Michael L. Levy
MICHAEL L. LEVY
United States Attorney