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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
STATESBORO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA) INFORMATION NO.
)
v.) Counts 1 & 2: 18 U.S.C.
) § 666(a)(1)(A)
EVELYN GAY)
) Theft from Federal Programs

CR 18-009

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES:

Introduction

1. The United States Department of Health and Human Services (“HHS”) awards grants through a number of federally funded programs that provide assistance to certain entities and individuals, primarily to assist the elderly and disabled.

2. The Legal Services Corporation (“LSC”) is an independent nonprofit established by Congress in 1974 pursuant to the Legal Services Corporation Act, 42 U.S.C. § 29996, et seq., to provide funding for civil legal representation of low-income Americans. LSC, in turn, provides federal aid to organizations throughout the country. In Georgia, one such organization that receives federal grants is Georgia Legal Services Program (“GLSP”). Each year, GLSP receives federal funding from LSC and funding from HHS under the Older Americans Act Title III.

3. In 2012, HHS created the Administration for Community Living to support people with disabilities and older adults who wish to remain at home, but need basic assistance. In Georgia, federal grants support a number of sub-grantee

organizations dedicated to this mission, including the Aging & Disability Advocacy Group, Inc. (“ADAG”).

4. At all times relevant to this Information, and GLSP and ADAG were organizations that received in a one year period benefits in excess of \$10,000 each year during 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017 under a Federal program involving grants and other forms of Federal assistance.

5. At all times relevant to this Information, **GAY** resided in Garfield, Georgia. **GAY** was a 35-year employee of GLSP, holding a position as a senior paralegal and coordinator.

6. At all times relevant to this Information, **GAY** served as an agent of ADAG through her position as Vice President and Treasurer.

COUNT 1

Theft from a Program Receiving Federal Funds (18 U.S.C. § 666(a)(1)(A))

7. Paragraphs 1 through 6 of the Information are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

8. On or about December 2016 through April 2017, in the Southern District of Georgia, the defendant **GAY**, being an agent of GLSP, an organization receiving in the one year period for each year (2016 and 2017) benefits in excess of \$10,000 under a Federal program involving a grant and other form of Federal assistance, obtained by fraud and intentionally misapplied property worth at least \$5,000 and under the care of, under the custody of, and under the control of GLSP.

All in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 666(a)(1)(A).

COUNT 2

Theft from a Program Receiving Federal Funds (18 U.S.C. § 666(a)(1)(A))

9. Paragraphs 1 through 6 of the Information are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

10. On or about July 2013 through June 2017, in the Southern District of Georgia, the defendant **GAY**, being an agent of ADAG, an organization receiving in the one year period for each year (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017) benefits in excess of \$10,000 under a Federal program involving a grant and other form of Federal assistance, obtained by fraud and intentionally misapplied property worth at least \$5,000 and under the care of, under the custody of, and under the control of ADAG.

All in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 666(a)(1)(A).



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