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SAN JOSE

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

vs.

ELIZABETH A. HOLMES &  
RAMESH "SUNNY" BALWANI

INDICTMENT

COUNT 1: 18 U.S.C. § 1349 – Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud  
against Theranos Investors

COUNT 2: 18 U.S.C. § 1349 – Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud  
against Doctors and Theranos Patients

COUNTS 3-8: 18 U.S.C. § 1343 – Wire Fraud

COUNTS 9-11: 18 U.S.C. § 1343 – Wire Fraud

*A true bill.*

*Ch. Oaks*  
Foreperson

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9 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

10 SAN JOSE DIVISION

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12 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

) No.:

13 Plaintiff,

) VIOLATIONS:

14 v.

) 18 U.S.C. § 1349 – Conspiracy; 18 U.S.C. § 1343 –  
) Wire Fraud; 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 28 U.S.C.  
) § 2461(c) – Forfeiture

15 ELIZABETH A. HOLMES and  
16 RAMESH “SUNNY” BALWANI,

) SAN JOSE VENUE

17 Defendants.

18 INDICTMENT

19 The Grand Jury charges that, at all relevant times:

20 Introductory Allegations

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22 1. The defendant Elizabeth A. Holmes (“HOLMES”) resided in Los Altos Hills, California,  
23 and owned and operated a health care and life sciences company called Theranos, Inc. (“Theranos” or  
24 “Company”). HOLMES founded Theranos in 2003, and served in the role of Chief Executive Officer  
25 from 2003 through the present.

26 2. The defendant Ramesh “Sunny” Balwani (“BALWANI”) resided in Atherton, California,  
27 and was employed by Theranos from September 2009 through 2016. BALWANI served in various roles  
28 at Theranos: as a member of its Board of Directors, as its President, and as its Chief Operating Officer.

INDICTMENT



1 who feared needles. In addition, Theranos claimed that its blood tests provided substantial cost savings,  
2 advertising that it billed all of the tests on the Medicare Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule at rates 50%  
3 or more below the published reimbursement rate.

4 7. Prior to its commercial launch, HOLMES heavily promoted Theranos's supposed  
5 technological and operational capabilities. In a September 2013 press release, Theranos claimed that it  
6 had "eliminat[ed] the need for larger needles and numerous vials of blood" by relying instead on  
7 samples "taken from a tiny finger stick or a micro sample taken from traditional methods." In another  
8 press release, dated November 13, 2013, Theranos touted its use of "blood sample[s] as small as a few  
9 drops—1/1000<sup>th</sup> the size of a typical blood draw." In that same statement, the Company again declared  
10 that it had "eliminate[ed] the need for large needles and numerous vials of blood typically required for  
11 diagnostic lab testing."

12 8. In addition to directing the actions of the Company, HOLMES also made statements to  
13 the media advertising the capabilities of Theranos's technology. In an interview for a *Wall Street*  
14 *Journal* article published on September 9, 2013, HOLMES said that Theranos could "run any  
15 combination of tests, including sets of follow-on tests" at once, very quickly, all from a single small  
16 blood sample.

17 9. Theranos also used its website to increase awareness of its technology. On its website,  
18 Theranos displayed a nanotainer of blood balanced on a fingertip along with the slogan, "one tiny drop  
19 changes everything." The website also assured visitors that "for the first time," Theranos's laboratory  
20 could perform tests "quickly and accurately on samples as small as a single drop."

#### 21 Theranos's Partnership with Walgreens

22 10. As part of its commercial launch, Theranos pursued a partnership with national pharmacy  
23 chain Walgreens. On September 9, 2013, Theranos announced that it would be rolling out Theranos  
24 "Wellness Centers" inside Walgreens retail locations. In a press release on that date, Theranos  
25 promoted its testing services by stating that "consumers can now complete any clinician-directed lab test  
26 with as little as a few drops of blood and results available in a matter of hours." Theranos offered tests  
27 to the public beginning in late 2013 through its Wellness Centers located in Walgreens stores in Palo  
28 Alto, California as well as in Phoenix, Arizona and surrounding areas.

The Scheme to Defraud Investors

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2 11. From a time unknown but no later than 2013 through 2015, HOLMES and BALWANI,  
3 and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, through their company, Theranos, engaged in a  
4 scheme, plan, and artifice to defraud investors as to a material matter, and to obtain money and property  
5 by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, by making  
6 materially false and misleading statements, and failing to disclose material facts with a duty to disclose.

7 12. Beginning in approximately 2013, HOLMES and BALWANI made materially false and  
8 misleading statements to investors and failed to disclose material facts, using, among other things: (1)  
9 false and misleading written and verbal communications; (2) marketing materials containing false and  
10 misleading statements; (3) false and misleading financial statements, models, and other information; and  
11 (4) false and misleading statements to the media. HOLMES and BALWANI:

12 (A) represented to investors that, at the time the statement was made, Theranos's  
13 proprietary analyzer—the TSPU, Edison, or miniLab—was presently capable of accomplishing  
14 certain tasks, such as performing the full range of clinical tests using small blood samples drawn  
15 from a finger stick and producing results that were more accurate and reliable than those yielded  
16 by conventional methods—all at a faster speed than previously possible; when, in truth,  
17 HOLMES and BALWANI knew that Theranos's proprietary analyzer had accuracy and  
18 reliability problems, performed a limited number of tests, was slower than some competing  
19 devices, and could not compete with larger, conventional machines in high-throughput, or the  
20 simultaneous testing of blood from many patients, applications;

21 (B) represented to investors that Theranos was presently a financially strong and stable  
22 company, including that Theranos would generate over \$100 million in revenues and break even  
23 in 2014, and that Theranos expected to generate approximately \$1 billion in revenues in 2015;  
24 when, in truth, HOLMES and BALWANI knew that Theranos had and would generate only  
25 modest revenues, roughly a few hundred thousand dollars or so, in 2014 and 2015;

26 (C) deceived investors through misleading technology demonstrations intended to cause  
27 potential investors to believe that blood tests were being conducted on Theranos's proprietary  
28 analyzer; when, in truth, HOLMES and BALWANI knew that Theranos's proprietary analyzer

1 was running a “null protocol” during the demonstration to make the analyzer appear to be  
2 operating, but was not testing the potential investor’s blood, and yet failed to disclose that fact;

3 (D) represented to investors that Theranos presently had an expanding partnership with  
4 Walgreens, that is, Theranos would soon dramatically increase the number of Wellness Centers  
5 within Walgreens stores; when, in truth, HOLMES and BALWANI knew, by late 2014, that  
6 Theranos’s retail Walgreens rollout had stalled because of several issues, including that  
7 Walgreens’s executives had concerns with Theranos’s performance;

8 (E) represented to investors that Theranos presently had a profitable and revenue-  
9 generating business relationship with the United States Department of Defense, and that  
10 Theranos’s technology had deployed to the battlefield; when, in truth, HOLMES and BALWANI  
11 knew that Theranos had limited revenue from military contracts and its technology was not  
12 deployed in the battlefield;

13 (F) represented to investors that Theranos did not need the Food and Drug Administration  
14 (“FDA”) to approve its proprietary analyzer and tests, but instead that Theranos was applying for  
15 FDA approval voluntarily because it was the “gold standard”; when, in truth, HOLMES and  
16 BALWANI knew that by late 2013 and throughout 2014, the FDA was requiring Theranos to  
17 apply for clearance or approval for its analyzer and tests;

18 (G) represented to investors that Theranos conducted its patients’ tests using Theranos-  
19 manufactured analyzers; when, in truth, HOLMES and BALWANI knew that Theranos  
20 purchased and used for patient testing third party, commercially-available analyzers;

21 (H) represented to investors that Theranos’s technology had been examined, used, and  
22 validated by several national or multinational pharmaceutical companies and research  
23 institutions; when, in truth, HOLMES and BALWANI knew that these pharmaceutical  
24 companies and research institutions had not examined, used, or validated Theranos’s technology;  
25 and

26 (I) represented to members of the media for publication many of the false and misleading  
27 statements described above within paragraph 12(A) – 12(H), and shared the resulting articles  
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1 with potential investors both directly and via the Theranos website, knowing their statements to  
2 members of the media were false and misleading.

3 13. After receiving false and misleading statements, misrepresentations, and omissions from  
4 HOLMES and BALWANI, persons known to the Grand Jury as Investors 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 initiated  
5 electronic wire transfers for the purpose of investing money in Theranos. These wires, specifically  
6 alleged in paragraph 24 of this Indictment, used a domestic electronic funds transfer system known as  
7 the Fedwire system, which is owned and operated by the United States Federal Reserve System. All  
8 Fedwire wire transfers alleged in this Indictment were electronically routed through Fedwire centers in  
9 East Rutherford, New Jersey and/or Dallas, Texas and into Theranos's bank account in the Northern  
10 District of California. All of the wire transfers alleged in this Indictment travelled between one state and  
11 another state.

#### 12 The Scheme to Defraud Doctors and Patients

13 14. Between approximately 2013 and 2016, HOLMES and BALWANI, through  
14 advertisements and solicitations, encouraged and induced doctors and patients to use Theranos's blood  
15 testing laboratory services.

16 15. HOLMES and BALWANI devised a scheme to defraud doctors and patients, through  
17 advertisements and marketing materials, through explicit and implicit claims concerning Theranos's  
18 ability to provide accurate, fast, reliable, and cheap blood tests and test results, and through omissions  
19 concerning the limits of and problems with Theranos's technologies. Based on these representations,  
20 many hundreds of patients paid, or caused their medical insurance companies to pay, Theranos, or  
21 Walgreens acting on behalf of Theranos, for blood tests and test results, sometimes following referrals  
22 from their defrauded doctors.

23 16. Despite representing to doctors and patients that Theranos could provide accurate, fast,  
24 reliable, and cheap blood tests and test results, HOLMES and BALWANI knew that Theranos's  
25 technology was, in fact, not capable of consistently producing accurate and reliable results. In  
26 particular, HOLMES and BALWANI knew that Theranos was not capable of consistently producing  
27 accurate and reliable results for certain blood tests, including but not limited to calcium, chloride,  
28 potassium, bicarbonate, HIV, Hba1C, hCG, and sodium.

1 17. Despite their knowledge of Theranos's accuracy and reliability problems, HOLMES and  
2 BALWANI used interstate electronic wires to purchase advertisements intended to induce individuals to  
3 purchase Theranos blood tests at Walgreens stores in California and Arizona. Through these  
4 advertisements, HOLMES and BALWANI explicitly represented to individuals that Theranos's blood  
5 tests were cheaper than blood tests from conventional laboratories to induce individuals to purchase  
6 Theranos's blood tests. HOLMES and BALWANI held Theranos's blood tests out to individuals as  
7 accurate and reliable. HOLMES and BALWANI:

8 (A) transmitted, caused to be transmitted, or otherwise delivered to doctors and patients,  
9 including in the form of marketing materials and advertisements, materially false and misleading  
10 information concerning the accuracy and reliability of Theranos's blood testing services;

11 (B) posted on the Theranos website, or otherwise represented to a broad audience including  
12 doctors and patients, materially false and misleading information concerning the accuracy and  
13 reliability of Theranos's blood testing services;

14 (C) transmitted, caused to be transmitted, or otherwise delivered to doctors and patients  
15 Theranos blood test results where HOLMES and BALWANI knew that the tests performed on  
16 Theranos technology contained or were likely to contain:

- 17 (1) inaccurate and unreliable results;  
18 (2) improperly adjusted reference ranges;  
19 (3) improperly removed "critical" results; and  
20 (4) results generated from improperly validated assays.

21 18. Knowing that the accuracy and reliability of Theranos test results was questionable and  
22 suspect, HOLMES and BALWANI oversaw the electronic wiring of test results to patients, including  
23 persons known to the Grand Jury as Patients 1 and 2 in paragraph 26 of this Indictment. These wires,  
24 specifically, the wires alleged in paragraph 26 of this indictment, travelled between one state and  
25 another.

26 COUNT ONE: 18 U.S.C. § 1349 (Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud against Theranos Investors)

27 19. Paragraphs 1 through 18 are realleged and incorporated as if fully set forth herein.  
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1           20.     From a time unknown but no later than approximately 2013 through approximately 2015,  
2 within the Northern District of California, and elsewhere, the defendants,

3                                 ELIZABETH A. HOLMES and  
4                                 RAMESH "SUNNY" BALWANI,

5 and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, did knowingly and intentionally conspire and agree  
6 together and with each other to commit wire fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section  
7 1343, by devising a scheme and artifice to defraud as to a material matter and to obtain money by means  
8 of materially false and fraudulent representations, specifically by soliciting investments through making  
9 the false and fraudulent representations as set forth in this Indictment.

10           All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349.

11 COUNT TWO: 18 U.S.C. § 1349 (Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud against Doctors and Theranos  
12 Patients)

13           21.     Paragraphs 1 through 18 are realleged and incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

14           22.     From in or about 2013 through 2016, within the Northern District of California, and  
15 elsewhere, the defendants,

16                                 ELIZABETH A. HOLMES and  
17                                 RAMESH "SUNNY" BALWANI,

18 and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, did knowingly and intentionally conspire and agree  
19 together and with each other to commit wire fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section  
20 1343, by devising a scheme and artifice to defraud as to a material matter and to obtain money by means  
21 of materially false and fraudulent representations, specifically by soliciting, encouraging, or otherwise  
22 inducing doctors to refer and patients to pay for and use its laboratory and blood testing services under  
23 the false and fraudulent pretense that Theranos technology produced reliable and accurate blood test  
24 results.

25           All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349.

26 COUNTS THREE THROUGH EIGHT: 18 U.S.C. § 1343 (Wire Fraud)

27           23.     Paragraphs 1 through 22 are realleged and incorporated as if fully set forth herein.  
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26. On or about the dates set forth below, within the Northern District of California, and elsewhere, the defendants,

ELIZABETH A. HOLMES and  
RAMESH "SUNNY" BALWANI,

for the purpose of executing the material scheme and artifice to defraud doctors and patients, and for obtaining money and property from patients, doctors, and insurance companies by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, promises, and material omissions with a duty to disclose, did knowingly transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of wire communication in interstate commerce certain writings, signs, signals, and pictures, that is, laboratory and blood test results and payments for the purchase of advertisements soliciting patients and doctors for its laboratory business, as further set forth below, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343:

COUNT	DATE	WIRED FROM	WIRED TO	ITEM WIRED
9	09/19/2014	California	Arizona	Patient #1's laboratory blood test results
10	11/25/2014	California	Arizona	Patient #2's laboratory blood test results
11	8/3/2015	Theranos's Wells Fargo Bank account in California	Horizon Media, Inc.'s J.P. Morgan Chase Bank account in New York	Electronic Funds Transfer in the amount of \$1,126,661.00 to purchase advertisements for Theranos Wellness Centers

Each in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343.

**FORFEITURE ALLEGATION:** 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c) (Forfeiture of Wire Fraud Proceeds)

27. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 26 of this Indictment are realleged and by this reference fully incorporated herein for the purposes of alleging forfeiture pursuant to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c).

28. Upon a conviction for the offense alleged in Counts One through Eleven, the defendants,

ELIZABETH A. HOLMES and  
RAMESH "SUNNY" BALWANI,

shall forfeit to the United States all property, constituting and derived from proceeds traceable to said offenses, including but not limited to the following property:

(a) a sum of money equal to the amount of proceeds obtained as a result of the offense.

If any of said property, 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;

Any and all interest defendant has in any other property (not to exceed the value of the above forfeitable property), shall be forfeited to the United States pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), as incorporated by Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(b)(1).

The forfeiture is authorized by Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c); Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p) as incorporated by Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(b)(1); and the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure 32.2.

DATED: 6-14-18

A TRUE BILL

  
FOREPERSON

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Acting United States Attorney

  
BARBARA J. VALLIERE  
Chief, Criminal Division

(Approved as to form: )  
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AO 257 (Rev. 6/78)

**DEFENDANT INFORMATION RELATIVE TO A CRIMINAL ACTION - IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT**

BY:  COMPLAINT  INFORMATION  INDICTMENT  
 SUPERSEDING

**OFFENSE CHARGED**

- 18 U.S.C. § 1349 (Conspiracy);  Petty
- 18 U.S.C. § 1343 (Wire Fraud);  Minor
- 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C), 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c) (Forfeiture)  Misdemeanor
- Felony

**PENALTY:** All per count  
20 years imprisonment  
\$250,000 fine  
3 years supervised release  
\$100 special assessment

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Name of District Court, and/or Judge/Magistrate Location

~~NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA~~  
SAN JOSE DIVISION

**DEFENDANT - U.S.**

Elizabeth A. Holmes

DISTRICT COURT NUMBER

**PROCEEDING**

Name of Complainant Agency, or Person (& Title, if any)

FBI, USPS, FDA

person is awaiting trial in another Federal or State Court, give name of court

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prior proceedings or appearance(s) before U.S. Magistrate regarding this defendant were recorded under }

Name and Office of Person Furnishing Information on this form Alex G. Tse

U.S. Attorney  Other U.S. Agency

Name of Assistant U.S. Attorney (if assigned) SCHENK/BOSTIC/LEACH

**IS NOT IN CUSTODY**

Has not been arrested, pending outcome of this proceeding.

1)  If not detained give date any prior summons was served on above charges

2)  Is a Fugitive

3)  Is on Bail or Release from (show District)

**IS IN CUSTODY**

4)  On this charge

5)  On another conviction }  Federal  State

6)  Awaiting trial on other charges  
If answer to (6) is "Yes", show name of institution

Has detainer been filed?  Yes  No } If "Yes" give date filed

DATE OF ARREST Month/Day/Year

Or... if Arresting Agency & Warrant were not

DATE TRANSFERRED TO U.S. CUSTODY Month/Day/Year

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS**

**PROCESS:**

SUMMONS  NO PROCESS\*  WARRANT Bail Amount: No Bail

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**NC**

**DEFENDANT**

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Is This Case Under Seal?

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Yes  No

NC

Total Number of Defendants:

1

2-7

8 or more

Does this case involve ONLY charges under 8 U.S.C. § 1325 and/or 1326?

Yes

No

Venue (Per Crim. L.R. 18-1):

SF

OAK

SJ

Is this a potential high-cost case?

Yes

No

Is any defendant charged with a death-penalty-eligible crime?

Yes

No

Is this a RICO Act gang case?

Yes

No

Assigned AUSA  
(Lead Attorney): Jeff Schenk

Date Submitted: June 14, 2018

Comments: