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| | 9 | June 2014 Grand Jury | | | |
| | 10 | UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, | Case No. 15 CR 2821 BAS | | |
| | 11 | Plaintiff, | <u>INDICTMENT</u> | | |
| | 12 | v. | Title 18, U.S.C., Sec. 371 - | | |
| | 13 | RONALD GRUSD (1), | Conspiracy to Commit Honest Services Mail Fraud, Mail Fraud | | |
| | 14 | GONZALO PAREDES (2), | and Violate Travel Act; Title 18, | | |
| | 15 | ALEXANDER MARTINEZ (3), RUBEN MARTINEZ (4), | U.S.C., Secs. 1341 and 1346 - Honest Services Mail Fraud; | | |
| | 16 | CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK | Title 18, U.S.C., Sec. 1952(a)(1)(A) and (a)(3)(A) - | | |
| | 17 | MEDICAL GROUP (5), WILLOWS CONSULTING COMPANY (6), | Travel Act; Title 18, U.S.C., | | |
| | 18 | LINE OF SIGHT, INC. (7), DESERT BLUE MOON (8), | Sec. 2 - Aiding and Abetting; Title 18, U.S.C., | | |
| | 19 | Sec. 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, | | | |
| | 20 | Defendants. | U.S.C., Sec. 2461(c) - Criminal Forfeiture | | |
| | 21 | The Grand Jury charges, at all times relevant: | | | |
| | 22 | INTRODUCTORY ALLEGATIONS | | | |
| | 23 | THE DEFENDANTS AND OTHER PARTICIPANTS | | | |
| | 24 | 1. Defendant RONALD GRUSD | ("GRUSD") was a physician who had | | |
| | 25 | been licensed by the State of | California since 1987. Defendant | | |
| | 26 | GRUSD's primary area of practice | was radiology, and he was certified | | |
| | 27 | by the American Board of Rad: | iology in Diagnostic and Nuclear | | |
| | 28 | Radiology. Defendant GRUSD was | an officer of several entities, | | |
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including defendants CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK MEDICAL GROUP and
 WILLOWS CONSULTING COMPANY, and Oaks Diagnostics and Advanced
 Radiology.

Defendant GONZALO PAREDES ("PAREDES") was an administrator 2. 4 entities, including defendants of defendant GRUSD's for several 5 NETWORK MEDICAL GROUP and WILLOWS CONSULTING CALIFORNIA IMAGING 6 COMPANY, and Advanced Radiology. 7

Defendant ALEXANDER MARTINEZ worked a marketer and 3. as 8 administrator on behalf of Dr. A, a licensed chiropractor with three 9 clinics in the Southern District of California. Defendant ALEXANDER 10 MARTINEZ owned and operated defendant LINE OF SIGHT, INC., a 11 professional corporation incorporated in Nevada whose principal place 12 of business was in Calexico, California. 13

14 4. Defendant RUBEN MARTINEZ worked as a marketer for Dr. A,
15 soliciting patients for treatment at Dr. A's clinic in Calexico,
16 California. Defendant RUBEN MARTINEZ owned and operated defendant
17 DESERT BLUE MOON, a professional corporation incorporated in Nevada.

MEDICAL GROUP IMAGING NETWORK Defendant CALIFORNIA 5. 18 ("CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK") was a California Corporation formed in 19 August 2007, which listed on its website locations in Los Angeles, 20 Beverly Hills, San Diego, Fresno, Rialto, Santa Ana, Studio City, 21 Bakersfield, Calexico, East Los Angeles, Lancaster, Victorville and 22 According to its website, defendant CALIFORNIA IMAGING Visalia. 23 NETWORK's principal business address was 8641 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 24 105, Beverly Hills, California. Among the various services defendant 25 CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK offered were diagnostic imaging services 26 and "Extracorporeal Shockwave Therapy." Defendant CALIFORNIA IMAGING 27 NETWORK listed defendant GRUSD as its chief executive officer, chief 28

1 financial officer, secretary and only director. Defendant GRUSD was 2 also the signatory on defendant CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK's bank 3 accounts.

6. Defendant WILLOWS CONSULTING COMPANY ("WILLOWS CONSULTING")
was a California corporation, formed in June 2011, which listed 8641
Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 105, Beverly Hills, California as its principal
business address. Defendant GRUSD was listed as its president and the
only signatory on defendant WILLOWS CONSULTING's bank accounts.

9 7. Defendant LINE OF SIGHT, INC., a Nevada Corporation formed
10 in October 2010, listed defendant ALEXANDER MARTINEZ as a director.
11 Defendant LINE OF SIGHT's principal place of business was in Calexico,
12 California, and defendant ALEXANDER MARTINEZ was the only authorized
13 signatory on defendant LINE OF SIGHT's bank accounts.

14 8. Defendant DESERT BLUE MOON, a Nevada Corporation formed in 15 August 2001, listed defendant RUBEN MARTINEZ as a director. Defendant 16 RUBEN MARTINEZ was the only authorized signatory on DESERT BLUE MOON's 17 bank accounts.

The Oaks Diagnostics, a California corporation formed in 9. 18 1989 and doing business as Advanced Radiology, listed 8641 Wilshire 19 Blvd., Ste. 105, Beverly Hills, California as its principal business 20 Advanced Radiology provided Shockwave, nerve conduction address. 21 velocity and electromyography testing and diagnostic imaging services. 22 Advanced Radiology listed defendant GRUSD as its president. Defendant 23 GRUSD was the only authorized signatory on Advanced Radiology's bank 24 accounts. 25

26 10. Dr. A was a chiropractor licensed to practice in California,
27 who operated three clinics specializing in chiropractic medicine.

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Physicians, including medical doctors and chiropractors, 11. 1 owed a fiduciary duty to their patients, requiring physicians to act 2 in their patients' best interests, and not for their own professional, 3 Physicians owed a duty of honest pecuniary, or personal gain. 4 services to their patients for decisions made relating to the care of 5 those patients, including the informed choice as to whether to undergo 6 ancillary medical procedures and, if so, an informed choice as to the 7 providers of such ancillary medical procedures. 8

9 12. Defendants ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, RUBEN MARTINEZ, LINE OF SIGHT 10 and DESERT BLUE MOON worked with and on behalf of Dr. A in the 11 referral of workers' compensation patients for ancillary medical 12 procedures.

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CALIFORNIA WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAM

California Workers' Compensation System ("CWCS") 13. The 14 required that employers in California provide workers' compensation 15 benefits to their employees for qualifying injuries sustained in the 16 course of their employment. Under the CWCS, all claims for payments 17 for services or benefits provided to the injured employee, including 18 medical and legal fees, were billed directly to, and paid by, the 19 insurer. Most unpaid claims for payment were permitted to be filed as 20 liens against the employee's workers' compensation claim, which accrue 21 interest until paid in an amount ordered by the Workers' Compensation 22 Appeals Board or an amount negotiated between the insurer and the 23 regulated service or benefits provider. The CWCS was by the 24 Labor Code, the California Insurance Code, and the 25 California California Code of Regulations, and was administered by the California 26 Department of Industrial Relations. 27

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14. CWCS benefits were administered by the employer, an insurer, 1 party administrator. required claims а third The CWCS 2 or administrators to authorize and pay for medical care that was 3 "reasonably required to cure or relieve the injured worker from the 4 effects of his or her injury," and includes medical, surgical, 5 chiropractic, acupuncture, and hospital treatment. 6

California law, including but not limited to the California 7 15. Business and Professions Code, the California Insurance Code, and the 8 prohibited the delivering, offering, California Labor Code, 9 soliciting, or receiving of anything of value in return for referring 10 a patient for ancillary medical procedures. 11

ANCILLARY MEDICAL PROCEDURES

16. Extracorporeal Shockwave Therapy ("shockwave") as used by 13 defendants GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK and Advanced 14 Radiology was a treatment modality that used low energy sound waves to 15 initiate tissue repair of musculoskeletal conditions. The treatment 16 was not a surgical procedure and patients were not placed under 17 Shockwave had been approved by the Federal Drug anesthesia. 18 Administration only for the treatment of chronic lateral epicondylitis 19 (tennis elbow) for which the symptoms were unresponsive to standard 20 therapy for more than six months. 21

22 17. Nerve conduction velocity ("NCV") was a test employed in 23 electrodiagnostic medicine to see how fast electrical signals move 24 through a nerve and was used to diagnose nerve injury or damage.

25 18. Electromyography ("EMG") was a test employed in 26 electrodiagnostic medicine to evaluate and record the electrical 27 activity produced by skeletal muscles and was used to diagnose nerve

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1 injury or damage; an EMG was often performed in conjunction with NCV
2 testing.

3 19. Diagnostic imaging services include magnetic resonance 4 imaging ("MRI").

COUNT 1 CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT HONEST SERVICES MAIL FRAUD AND VIOLATE THE TRAVEL ACT, 18 USC § 371

7 20. Paragraphs 1 through 19 of this Indictment are realleged and
8 incorporated by reference.

9 21. Beginning on a date unknown and continuing through at least
10 August 2015, within the Southern District of California and elsewhere,
11 defendants RONALD GRUSD, GONZALO PAREDES, ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, RUBEN
12 MARTINEZ, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK MEDICAL GROUP, WILLOWS CONSULTING
13 COMPANY, LINE OF SIGHT, INC., DESERT BLUE MOON, and others known and
14 unknown did knowingly and intentionally conspire with each other to:

a. commit Honest Services Mail Fraud, that is, knowingly and with the intent to defraud, devise and participate in a material scheme to defraud and to deprive patients of the intangible right to Dr. A's honest services, and cause mailings in furtherance of the scheme, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 1346;

b. commit Mail Fraud, that is, knowingly and with the intent to defraud, devise a material scheme to defraud, and to obtain money and property, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, promises, and omissions and concealments of material facts, and cause mailings in furtherance of the scheme, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1341; and

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use and cause to be used facilities in interstate commerce 1 c. with intent to promote, manage, establish, carry on, distribute the 2 proceeds of, and facilitate the promotion, management, establishment, 3 carrying on, and distribution of the proceeds of an unlawful activity, 4 that is, bribery in violation of California Labor Code Sections 139.3, 5 California and 3215, Business and Professions Code 139.32, 6 California Insurance Code Section 750 and, Section 650, and 7 thereafter, to promote and attempt to perform acts to promote, manage, 8 establish, carry on, distribute the proceeds of, and facilitate the 9 promotion, management, establishment, carrying on, and distribution of 10 the proceeds of such unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, 11 United States Code, Section 1952(a)(1)(A) and (a)(3)(A). 12

FRAUDULENT PURPOSE

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It was a purpose of the conspiracy to fraudulently obtain 22. 14 money from CWCS insurers by submitting claims for ancillary procedures 15 that were secured through a pattern of bribes to Dr. A, and to those 16 acting with him and on his behalf, in exchange for the referral of 17 patients to particular providers of ancillary medical procedures, in 18 violation of Dr. A's fiduciary duty to his patients, and concealing 19 from insurers the bribes that rendered the claims unpayable under 20 California law. 21

MANNER AND MEANS

23 23. The conspirators used the following manner and means in 24 pursuit of their fraudulent purpose:

a. It was a part of the conspiracy that defendants GRUSD,
PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK, and WILLOWS CONSULTING, knowing
that the payment of per-patient referral fees was unlawful, offered to
pay bribes to Dr. A, ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, RUBEN MARTINEZ, LINE OF SIGHT

and DESERT BLUE MOON in order to influence the referral of Dr. A's
 workers' compensation patients to defendant CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK
 and other entities operated by defendant GRUSD and PAREDES.

b. It was a further part of the conspiracy that defendants
ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, RUBEN MARTINEZ, LINE OF SIGHT, and DESERT BLUE
MOON agreed to accept per-patient referral fees from defendants GRUSD,
PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK, WILLOWS CONSULTING and others -either directly or indirectly - in exchange for the referral of Dr.
A's workers' compensation patients to defendant CALIFORNIA IMAGING
NETWORK and other entities operated by defendant GRUSD and PAREDES.

11 c. It was a further part of the conspiracy that defendants 12 ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, RUBEN MARTINEZ, LINE OF SIGHT, DESERT BLUE MOON 13 and others arranged to have defendants GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA 14 IMAGING NETWORK, WILLOWS CONSULTING and others conduct ancillary 15 medical procedures on Dr. A's workers' compensation patients in 16 exchange for unlawful per-patient referral fees.

17 d. It was a further part of the conspiracy that defendants concealed from patients, and intended to cause Dr. A to conceal from 18 patients, the bribe payments Dr. A and defendants ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, 19 RUBEN MARTINEZ, LINE OF SIGHT, AND DESERT BLUE MOON received from 20 defendants GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK and WILLOWS 21 CONSULTING in exchange for referring patients for ancillary medical 22 procedures, in violation of Dr. A's fiduciary duty to Dr. A's patients 23 and in violation of the California Labor Code. 24

e. It was a further part of the conspiracy that proceeds from
insurance claims paid to defendant CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK were
funneled through bank accounts by defendants GRUSD and PAREDES to a
bank account in the name of defendant WILLOWS CONSULTING, which

1 supplied the kickback payments to defendants ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, RUBEN 2 MARTINEZ, LINE OF SIGHT, DESERT BLUE MOON and others.

It was a further part of the conspiracy that defendants f. 3 NETWORK, WILLOWS CONSULTING, GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING 4 ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, RUBEN MARTINEZ, LINE OF SIGHT, DESERT BLUE MOON 5 and others obscured the true nature of their financial relationships 6 in order to conceal their corrupt bribe payments for patient 7 referrals. 8

9 g. It was a further part of the conspiracy that defendants 10 PAREDES, ALEXANDER MARTINEZ and RUBEN MARTINEZ discussed via telephone 11 calls, emails, and in-person meetings the workers' compensation 12 patients who had been corruptly referred for ancillary medical 13 procedures to defendants GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK in 14 exchange for kickbacks.

It was a further part of the conspiracy that defendants h. 15 RUBEN MARTINEZ utilized and ALEXANDER MARTINEZ GRUSD, PAREDES, 16 interstate facilities, including cellular telephones and email, in 17 order to coordinate the referral of patients for ancillary medical 18 procedures, knowing that such referrals were predicated on unlawful 19 per-patient kickback payments. 20

i. It was a further part of the conspiracy that defendants
ALEXANDER MARTINEZ and RUBEN MARTINEZ falsely labeled correspondence
concerning lists of workers' compensation patients who had been
corruptly referred for ancillary medical procedures as pertaining to
"marketing hours" and similarly misleading phrases.

j. It was a further part of the conspiracy that defendants GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK, and WILLOWS CONSULTING falsely characterized the bribes to Dr. A and defendants ALEXANDER

1 MARTINEZ, RUBEN MARTINEZ, LINE OF SIGHT, and DESERT BLUE MOON as 2 payments for "professional services," when in fact the corrupt 3 payments were made exclusively for the referral of patients for 4 ancillary medical procedures.

k. It was a further part of the conspiracy that defendants
GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK, and WILLOWS CONSULTING
used the mails to send bribes to Dr. A and defendants ALEXANDER
MARTINEZ, RUBEN MARTINEZ, LINE OF SIGHT, DESERT BLUE MOON, in exchange
for the referral of Dr. A's patients for ancillary medical procedures.

1. It was a further part of the conspiracy that defendants
 GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK, and WILLOWS CONSULTING
 used the mails to send bills to insurers for services provided to
 patients they had procured by paying bribes to Dr. A and other
 conspirators.

m. It was a further part of the conspiracy that defendants GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK, WILLOWS CONSULTING and others acting on their behalf concealed from insurers and patients the material fact of the kickback arrangements, which were in violation of California state law, that led to the referrals.

n. Using the manners and means described above, defendants
GRUSD, PAREDES, ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, RUBEN MARTINEZ, CALIFORNIA IMAGING
NETWORK, WILLOWS CONSULTING, LINE OF SIGHT and DESERT BLUE MOON
submitted and caused to be submitted claims in excess of \$1 million
for ancillary medical procedures procured through the payment of
bribes.

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OVERT ACTS

2 24. In furtherance of the conspiracy and in order to effect the 3 objects thereof, the defendants and other co-conspirators caused the 4 following overt acts in the Southern District of California and 5 elsewhere:

a. On or about November 7, 2014, defendant ALEXANDER MARTINEZ
emailed defendant PAREDES a list of patients that had been referred to
defendants GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK and Advanced
Radiology for ancillary medical procedures.

b. On or about November 7, 2014, in consideration for the
referral of patients, defendants GRUSD, PAREDES and WILLOWS CONSULTING
caused a bribe to be paid to defendants ALEXANDER MARTINEZ and LINE OF
SIGHT acting on behalf of Dr. A.

14 c. On or about November 25, 2014, defendant ALEXANDER MARTINEZ 15 emailed defendant PAREDES a list of patients that had been referred to 16 defendants GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK and Advanced 17 Radiology for ancillary medical procedures.

d. On or about December 3, 2014, in consideration for the
referral of patients, defendants GRUSD, PAREDES and WILLOWS CONSULTING
caused a bribe to be paid to defendants RUBEN MARTINEZ and DESERT BLUE
MOON acting on behalf of Dr. A.

e. On or about December 15, 2014, in consideration for the
referral of patients, defendants GRUSD, PAREDES and WILLOWS CONSULTING
caused a bribe to be paid to defendants RUBEN MARTINEZ and DESERT BLUE
MOON acting on behalf of Dr. A.

26 f. On or about December 17, 2014, in consideration for the 27 referral of patients, defendants GRUSD, PAREDES and WILLOWS CONSULTING

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1 caused a bribe to be paid to defendants ALEXANDER MARTINEZ and LINE OF 2 SIGHT acting on behalf of Dr. A.

g. On or about December 17, 2014, defendants ALEXANDER MARTINEZ
and RUBEN MARTINEZ exchanged emails in an effort to reconcile the
lists of Dr. A's patients referred for ancillary medical procedures
and the bribes that had been paid and were due and owing from various
providers, including defendants GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING
NETWORK and WILLOWS CONSULTING.

h. On or about January 12, 2015, defendants RUBEN MARTINEZ and
DESERT BLUE MOON caused payments to be made to Dr. A and defendant
ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, which represented a portion of bribe payments
received from various providers, including defendants GRUSD, PAREDES,
CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK and WILLOWS CONSULTING, while acting on
behalf of Dr. A and his patients.

i. On or about March 2, 2015, defendant GRUSD sent a text
message to Dr. A in order to facilitate a meeting to discuss the
referral of patients for ancillary medical procedures and the payment
of bribes.

j. On or about March 4, 2015, defendants GRUSD and PAREDES met with Dr. A in order to discuss the referral of patients for ancillary medical procedures and the payment of bribes.

k. On or about March 4, 2015, in consideration for the referral of patients, defendants GRUSD, PAREDES and WILLOWS CONSULTING caused bribes to be paid to Dr. A and to defendants ALEXANDER MARTINEZ and LINE OF SIGHT acting on behalf of Dr. A

1. On or about March 6, 2015, defendants ALEXANDER MARTINEZ and LINE OF SIGHT caused a payment to be made to Dr. A, which represented a portion of bribe payments from various providers, including 1 defendants GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK and WILLOWS 2 CONSULTING.

m. On or about April 2, 2015, defendants ALEXANDER MARTINEZ and
RUBEN MARTINEZ caused an email to be sent to defendant PAREDES with a
list of patients that had been referred to defendants GRUSD, PAREDES,
CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK and Advanced Radiology for ancillary
medical procedures.

n. On or about April 6, 2015, in consideration for the referral
of patients, defendants GRUSD, PAREDES and WILLOWS CONSULTING caused a
bribe to be paid to defendants ALEXANDER MARTINEZ and LINE OF SIGHT
acting on behalf of Dr. A

0. On or about June 5, 2015, defendant GRUSD spoke with Dr. A
and confirmed the amount of bribes to be paid for the referral of
patients to defendants GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK and
Advanced Radiology for ancillary medical procedures.

p. On or about July 16, 2015, in consideration for the referral
of patients referred, defendants GRUSD, PAREDES and WILLOWS CONSULTING
caused bribes to be paid to defendants ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, RUBEN
MARTINEZ, LINE OF SIGHT and DESERT BLUE MOON acting on behalf of Dr. A
All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 371.

Count 2

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HONEST SERVICES MAIL FRAUD, 18 U.S.C. §§ 1341, 1346 AND 2

23 25. Paragraphs 1 through 19 of this Indictment are realleged and 24 incorporated by reference.

25 26. Beginning on a date unknown and continuing through at least August 2015, within the Southern District of California and elsewhere, defendants RONALD GRUSD, GONZALO PAREDES, ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, RUBEN MARTINEZ, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK MEDICAL GROUP, WILLOWS CONSULTING

1 COMPANY, LINE OF SIGHT, INC., and DESERT BLUE MOON knowingly and with 2 the intent to defraud, devised a material scheme to defraud, that is, 3 to deprive patients of their intangible right to Dr. A's honest 4 services.

5 27. Paragraphs 22 through 24 of this Indictment are realleged 6 and incorporated by reference as more fully describing the scheme to 7 defraud, that is, to deprive patients of their intangible right to 8 Dr. A's honest services.

On or about March 10, 2015, within the Southern District of 28. 9 California and elsewhere, defendants RONALD GRUSD, GONZALO PAREDES, 10 ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, RUBEN MARTINEZ, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK MEDICAL 11 GROUP, WILLOWS CONSULTING COMPANY, LINE OF SIGHT, INC., and DESERT 12 BLUE MOON, for the purpose of executing the scheme and attempting to 13 do so, knowingly caused the following mail matter to be placed in a 14 post office and authorized depository for mail matters to be delivered 15 by the United States Postal Service: a claim for reimbursement for 16 ancillary medical procedures for J. F. secured through the payment of 17 bribes to Dr. A and those acting on his behalf. 18 All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341, 1346 19

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<u>Counts 3-8</u> TRAVEL ACT, 18 USC §§ 1952(a)(1)(A), (a)(3)(A) AND 2

23 29. Paragraphs 1 through 19 are realleged and incorporated by 24 reference.

30. Beginning on date unknown and continuing through at least
 August 2015, within the Southern District of California and elsewhere,
 defendants RONALD GRUSD, GONZALO PAREDES, ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, RUBEN
 MARTINEZ, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK MEDICAL GROUP, WILLOWS CONSULTING

COMPANY, LINE OF SIGHT, INC., and DESERT BLUE MOON knowingly used and 1 cause to be used facilities in interstate commerce with the intent to 2 promote, manage, establish, carry on, distribute the proceeds of, and 3 facilitate the promotion, management, establishment, carrying on, and 4 distribution of the proceeds of an unlawful activity, that is, bribery 5 in violation of California Labor Code Sections 139.3, 139.32, and 6 3215, California Business and Professions Code Section 650, and 7 California Insurance Code Section 750 and, thereafter, to promote and 8 attempt to perform acts to promote, manage, establish, carry on, 9 distribute the proceeds of, and facilitate the promotion, management, 10 establishment, carrying on, and distribution of the proceeds of such 11 unlawful activity as follows: 12

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| 4 | 11/7/14 | Defendant ALEXANDER | On or about November 7, |
| | | MARTINEZ emailed defendant | 2014, defendants GRUSD, |
| | | PAREDES a list of patients | PAREDES and WILLOWS CONSULTING caused a bribe |
| | | that had been referred to defendants GRUSD, PAREDES, | |
| | | CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK | ALEXANDER MARTINEZ and LINE |
| | | and Advanced Radiology for | OF SIGHT acting on behalf |
| | | ancillary medical | of Dr. A |
| | | procedures. | |
| 5 | 11/25/14 | Defendant ALEXANDER | Defendants GRUSD, PAREDES |
| | | MARTINEZ emailed defendant | and WILLOWS CONSULTING |
| | | PAREDES a list of patients that had been referred to | caused bribes to be paid to defendants RUBEN MARTINEZ |
| | | defendants GRUSD, PAREDES, | and DESERT BLUE MOON acting |
| | | CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK | on behalf of Dr. A on |
| | | and Advanced Radiology for | December 3 and 15, 2014, |
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| 6 | 12/17/14 | Defendants ALEXANDER MARTINEZ and RUBEN | On or about January 12, 2015, defendants RUBEN |
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| | | were due and owing from | PAREDES, CALIFORNIA IMAGINO |
| | | defendants GRUSD, PAREDES, | NETWORK and WILLOWS |
| | | CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK | CONSULTING, while acting or |
| 7 | 3/2/15 | and WILLOWS CONSULTING. Defendant GRUSD sent a | behalf of Dr. A On or about March 4, 2015, |
| ' | 3/2/15 | text message to Dr. A to | in consideration of |
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| | | payment of bribes. | bribes to Dr. A and to defendants ALEXANDER |
| | | | MARTINEZ and LINE OF SIGHT |
| | | | acting on behalf of Dr. A |
| 8 | 4/2/15 | Defendants ALEXANDER | On or about April 6, 2015, |
| | | MARTINEZ and RUBEN | in consideration of |
| | | MARTINEZ caused an email | patients referred for |
| | | to be sent to defendant PAREDES with a list of | ancillary medical procedures, defendants |
| | | patients that had been | GRUSD, PAREDES and WILLOWS |
| | | referred to defendants | CONSULTING caused a bribe |
| | | GRUSD, PAREDES, CALIFORNIA | to be paid to defendants |
| | | IMAGING NETWORK and | ALEXANDER MARTINEZ and LINE |
| | | Advanced Radiology for | OF SIGHT acting on behalf |
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| 2 | 9 | 6/5/15 | Defendant GRUSD spoke on On or about July 16, 2015, | | |
| 3 | | | the telephone with Dr. Ain consideration ofand confirmed the amountpatients referred for | | |
| 4 | | | of bribes to be paid for ancillary medical the referral of patients procedures, defendants | | |
| 5 | | | to defendants GRUSD, GRUSD, PAREDES and WILLOWS PAREDES, CALIFORNIA CONSULTING paid bribes to | | |
| 6 | | | IMAGING NETWORK and defendants ALEXANDER | | |
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| 8 | | | procedures. BLUE MOON acting on behalf of Dr. A | | |
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| 10 | All | in v | iolation of Title 18, United States Code, | | |
| 11 | Sections 1952(a)(1)(A), (a)(3)(A) and 2. FORFEITURE ALLEGATION | | | | |
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| 13 | 31. Paragraphs 1 through 30 of this Indictment are realleged and | | | | |
| 14 | incorporated as if fully set forth herein for the purpose of alleging | | | | |
| 15 | forfeiture pursuant to Title 18, United States Code | | | | |
| 16 | Section 981(a)(1)(C) and Title 28, United States Code, | | | | |
| 17 | Section 2461(c). | | | | |
| 18 | 32. Upon conviction of the offenses of Conspiracy, Honest | | | | |
| 19 | Services Mail Fraud and Travel Act as alleged in Counts 1 through 9, | | | | |
| 20 | defendants RONALD GRUSD, GONZALO PAREDES, ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, RUBEN | | | | |
| 21 | MART | MARTINEZ, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK MEDICAL GROUP, WILLOWS CONSULTING | | | |
| 22 | COMP | COMPANY, LINE OF SIGHT, INC., and DESERT BLUE MOON shall forfeit to | | | |
| 23 | the United States all right, title, and interest in any property, real | | | | |
| 24 | or p | ersonal, | that constitutes or was derived from proceeds traceable | | |
| 25 | to a | violation | of such offenses, including a sum of money equal to the | | |
| 26 | total amount of gross proceeds derived, directly or indirectly, from | | | | |
| 27 | such | offenses. | | | |

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33. If any of the above described forfeitable property, as a 1 result of any act or omission of defendants RONALD GRUSD, GONZALO 2 MARTINEZ, RUBEN CALIFORNIA 3 PAREDES, ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, IMAGING NETWORK MEDICAL GROUP, WILLOWS CONSULTING COMPANY, LINE OF SIGHT, 4 INC., and DESERT BLUE MOON: (a) cannot be located upon the exercise of 5 due diligence; (b) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, 6 a third party; (c) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the 7 Court; (d) has been substantially diminished in value; or (e) has been 8 commingled with other property which cannot be divided without 9 difficulty; it was the intent of the United States, pursuant to 10 Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p) and Title 18, United 11 States Code, Section 982(b), to seek forfeiture of any other property 12 of defendants RONALD GRUSD, GONZALO PAREDES, ALEXANDER MARTINEZ, RUBEN 13 MARTINEZ, CALIFORNIA IMAGING NETWORK MEDICAL GROUP, WILLOWS CONSULTING 14 COMPANY, LINE OF SIGHT, INC., and DESERT BLUE MOON up to the value of 15 the forfeitable property described above; 16

17 All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), 18 and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

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