

# Registry of Motor Vehicles Clerk Sentenced for Role in Identity Theft Scheme

A Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles clerk was sentenced on Monday in federal court in Boston for her role in a scheme to produce false identification documents.

Kimberly Jordan, 33, of Randolph, was sentenced to eight months in prison and two years of supervised release. In October 2017, Jordan and co-conspirators Evelyn Medina, 56; Annette Gracia, 37; David Brimage, 46; and Bivian Yohanny Brea, 41, all of Boston, agreed to plead guilty to one count of producing without lawful authority an identification document or a false identification document.

In December 2017, Angel Miguel Beltre Tejada, 32, a Dominican national illegally residing in Jamaica Plain, was sentenced to two years in prison after pleading guilty to one count of aggravated identity theft. Tejada will also be subject to deportation upon completion of the sentence. In January 2018, Medina and Gracia were sentenced to 15 months in prison and one year and one day in prison, respectively.

In October 2015, law enforcement received an anonymous letter alleging that a corrupt RMV employee was providing Massachusetts identifications and driver's licenses to individuals who were using false identifications. An investigation revealed that several Haymarket RMV clerks – Jordan, Medina, Gracia, and Brimage – were working with Brea and Tejada to fraudulently provide Massachusetts licenses and identification cards to illegal aliens for cash.

The scheme involved several steps. Tejada and Brea would obtain identification documents belonging to United States citizens in Puerto Rico and sell them to clients who were

seeking legitimate identities in Massachusetts. These clients included illegal aliens, individuals who were previously deported, and an individual who admitted to previously facing drug charges. Tejada would receive several hundred dollars in cash each time he sold identification documents. Brea received up to \$2,700 per identity for her role in the scheme, which included helping clients obtain the documents and facilitating their acquisition of Massachusetts identity documents.

Typically, Brea and the client brought the stolen identities to the Haymarket RMV, where Medina, Gracia, Jordan, and/or Brimage would accept hundreds of dollars in cash to illegally issue authentic RMV documents, including Massachusetts licenses and ID cards. The clerks also accepted bribes to use the RMV's system to run queries, including Social Security number audits, to confirm that the identities the clients were stealing actually belonged to verifiable individuals.

United States Attorney Andrew E. Lelling; Michael Shea, Acting Special Agent in Charge of Homeland Security Investigations in Boston; William B. Gannon, Special Agent in Charge of the Boston Field Office of the U.S. Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service; and Colonel Kerry A. Gilpin, Superintendent of the Massachusetts State Police, made the announcement. HSI's Document and Benefit Fraud Task Force investigated the case. Assistant U.S. Attorney Eugenia M. Carris of Lelling's Public Corruption & Special Prosecutions Unit is prosecuting the cases.