

While investigating C.S.P.D. case report #01-26763, entitled Forgery, Your Affiant (C.S.P.D. Detective Robert G. Newbury Jr., 1338D) discovered two (2) Egyptian Nationals (identified as (the Defendant) Alaa AbdelAziz and Mohamed Hassan) had obtained both real and fictitious birth certificates and social security cards. Using these credentials, AbdelAziz and Hassan obtained either an ID card or driver's license from the State of Colorado Department of Revenue (DOR). Using these means of identification (along with the birth certificates and social security cards), the suspects opened a local checking account, obtained a Sam's Club membership card, applied for U.S. Passports through the U.S. State Department Passport Services, etc. In short, these individuals committed multiple state and federal felonies by impersonating themselves as other people who were U.S. citizens. DATE FILED: August 24, 2001

Your Affiant executed several Search Warrants of the suspects' residences and registered vehicles. During a search of the Defendant's (AbdelAziz) home (located at 1530 N. Cooper Avenue in Colorado Springs), Your Affiant discovered and confiscated a San Juan, Texas birth certificate for a party named "Lillian Husk"; identified as a male on the document and born on 10/13/75. Along with this birth certificate, Your Affiant recovered a social security card (also in the name of "Lillian Husk").

Your Affiant contacted the City Hall in San Juan, Texas and asked the clerk to verify whether the birth certificate was authentic. After faxing her a copy of the certificate, she researched their files and advised that the document was fictitious. She stated that they had no record of anybody being born in their city on 10/13/75—their records went from recorded births on 10/12/75 to 10/14/75. She stated that they had no record of birth for "Lillian Husk" whatsoever.

Your Affiant then contacted a representative of the local Social Security Administration. Your Affiant asked the supervisor to check the social security card number for "Lillian Husk" (i.e., He advised that this social security card was in fact for a female named "Lillian Husk" who died in 1998.

Your Affiant checked the State of Colorado Department of Revenue (DOR) driver's license files for "Lillian Husk" with the DOB of 10/13/75 and found that an ID card had in fact been issued on 06/29/01 using that name. Your Affiant obtained a faxed copy of the official dossier file and found that it contained a picture of a black male, who signed the credential/file as "Lillian Husk".

During the same aforementioned search of AbdelAziz's home, Your Affiant recovered a customer's carbon copy of a checking account application for TCF National Bank (processed at the branch located at 7635 N. Academy Boulevard, located within the City of Colorado Springs, County of El Paso, and State of Colorado). The name of the customer was "Lillian Husk". Its signature(s) were similar to those found on the D.O.R. driver's license dossier file.

On 08/20/01, Your Affiant contacted Check Fraud Detective G. Godfrey regarding my case investigation. Detective Godfrey informed Your Affiant that he was working a similar case involving "Lillian Husk" attempting to open a checking account at the ENT Federal Credit Union (located at 805 N. Murray Boulevard, located within the City of Colorado Springs, County of El Paso, and State of Colorado) on 06/29/01. Again, it's signature(s) were similar to those found on the D.O.R. driver's license dossier file. According to a bank representative (Jan Neuville, Loss Prevention Manager), the above Colorado ID card was used as proof of identification during the application process.

Ms. Neuville stated that credit union employee(s) became suspicious/concerned and noted that the black male customer "Lillian Husk" was accompanied in the lobby by another male party and later entered a utility vehicle outside the branch, bearing (what they believed to be) Colorado plates. A check of the State of Colorado Department of Revenue (DOR) license plate files revealed that this vehicle is currently registered to a Samantha R. Ramos.

Your Affiant checked the city's Utilities files for Samantha Ramos and found that she had a boyfriend (fiancee) on her account identified as the Defendant, Matthew Tuiletufuga.

Ms. Neuville explained that after they conducted some additional checking into "Lillian Husk", they found irregularities in the identification of the person (i.e., a check of credit rating files denoted she was deceased). She stated that they immediately closed the account before any withdrawals could be made.

Your Affiant checked the department's CJIS files and found that Mr. Tuiletufuga had been arrested on/about 02/02/00. Your Affiant obtained a color, computer generated booking-style photograph of Tuiletufuga. Although the booking photo was dated 02/02/00 and the D.O.R. dossier was dated 06/29/01 (approximately 16 months apart), Your Affiant still noted striking similarities in the facial features of both subjects.

On 08/22/01, Your Affiant requested that Metro Crime Laboratory Technician Jeff Saviano examine the record fingerprint on the D.O.R. dossier for "Lillian Husk" against those on file with the Colorado Springs Police Department for the Defendant (taken on 08/02/96). Technician Saviano has received technician training and has practical experience in the identification and examinations of latent fingerprints.

On 08/23/01, Technician Saviano advised Your Affiant that the examination of the I.D. cards confirmed that they were made by the same person (Matthew Tuilethfuga).

On 08/23/01, Your Affiant obtained Arrest Warrants and a Search Warrant from the Honorable Judge Martin for Tuilethfuga and his residence. On 08/23/01, at approximately 6:00 p.m., INS Special Agent Berton and I responded to Tuilethfuga's home. Upon our arrival, Your Affiant contacted Suspect Tuilethfuga in his livingroom area. Immediately after his arrest, Your Affiant advised Suspect Tuilethfuga that he wished to ask him some questions and advised him of his Miranda Warning/Rights. He acknowledged his understanding of these rights and waived them; expressing a desire to answer my questions regarding these case investigations.

Your Affiant asked Suspect Tuilethfuga to explain to me how, why, and when he started to assume the identity of "Lillian Husk".

He stated, "Ali (Alaa Abdel Aziz) forced it on me." Your Affiant asked him to explain. He stated, "Ali told me I had to use (the fictitious identity) it." Suspect Tuilethfuga continued on to state that "Ali promised to give me \$4,000.00".

When asked to further explain, Suspect Tuilethfuga stated that an acquaintance of his (whom he identified as "Mark Fletch") introduced him to "Ali". He described Mark Fletch as a black male, approximately 21 years of age. He stated that both Mark Fletch and "Ali" trained together on the "judo team at the Olympic Training Center."

Suspect Tuilethfuga stated that after being introduced to "Ali", "Ali" asked him if he wanted "to make four thousand dollars". He stated that he went to the State of Colorado Department of Revenue (DOR) driver's license bureau on Austin Bluffs Parkway (in Colorado Springs) and obtained an ID card using the name/identity of "Lillian Husk". He stated after acquiring the ID card, he "gave it to Ali".

Suspect Tuilethfuga stated that the last time he met "Ali" was approximately one month ago. He stated, "Ali asked me to store some of his furniture... a bed and some mattresses and stuff.. in my garage." He stated that at present, "Ali" was visiting the Country of Egypt and was expected back into the U.S./Colorado Springs area soon.

Your Affiant asked Suspect Tuilethfuga why he opened a checking account at the ENT Federal Credit Union. He said, "Cause Ali told me to".

At this point, Suspect Tuilethfuga stated, "Maybe I should have my attorney here." At this point, I concluded my questioning of him and had him removed from the residence for transport to the El Paso County Criminal Justice Center (CJC).

While conducting the search of the home, the transporting officer (Allen) notified me by portable radio that Suspect Tuilethfuga wished to speak with us.

After the search, Agent Berton and Your Affiant responded to the El Paso County Criminal Justice Center (CJC). We had Suspect Tuilethfuga transported to the facility's watch commander's office for contact (out of the sight/sound of other inmates).

Upon contact, Your Affiant advised Suspect Tuilethfuga, "I understand that you want to talk with us again." He replied, "Yeah, I do."

On 08/24/01, at approximately 8:20 p.m., Your Affiant readvised Suspect Tuilethfuga of his Miranda Warning/Rights. He again acknowledged his understanding of these rights and waived them; expressing a desire to answer further questions from Agent Berton and I. Before questioning, I asked Suspect Tuilethfuga, "Previously, you told us that you wanted an attorney. Do you wish an attorney present or do you wish to speak with us without an attorney present." He replied, "I don't want an attorney. I just want to talk with you guys to tell you what happened. I again asked Suspect Tuilethfuga, "So, you do not want an attorney?" He said, "No, I don't."

Suspect Tuilethfuga stated that he had been laid off from the Atmel Corporation around approximately 07/01/01.

He stated that around that time, a friend of his (identified as "Fletch") introduced him to "Ali". He stated that he had known "Fletch" from the Beach Club bar for approximately the past 7 months.

He stated that at the time he was introduced to "Ali" he was unemployed. He stated that "Ali" asked him if he wanted to make "four thousand dollars". He stated that "Ali showed me a birth certificate and a faded (social) security card." I asked Suspect Tuilethfuga whose name these credentials were in. He said, "Lillian Husk".

He stated, "Ali told me he'd give me four thousand dollars to go to the bank and open up a checking account."

Your Affiant asked Suspect Tuilethfuga who was with him when he obtained the Colorado ID card at the Austin Bluffs branch office. He stated, "Ali"

Your Affiant asked Suspect Tuilethfuga who was with him when he opened the ENT Federal Credit Union checking account. He said, "Ali was with me."

Your Affiant asked Suspect Tuilethfuga who was with him when he opened the TCF National Bank checking account. He again stated, "Ali."

Suspect Tuilethfuga stated, "Ali drove me to these places. I don't have a driver's license (in fact, previously I had determined that the suspect is in fact an Habitual Traffic Offender and his license is in revocation status)."

Suspect Tuilethfuga stated that on each occasion, "Ali had 'em (the fictitious ID card, birth certificate, and SSN card in the name of Lillian Husk)".

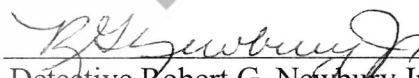
Suspect Tuilethfuga stated that approximately a month ago, "Ali" contacted him to store some of his furniture items (bed, mattresses, dresser drawers, etc) in the suspect's garage. (I noted these items in the garage area while completed the search warrant).

In the end, Suspect Tuilethfuga stated that he never received any monetary payment(s) for his activities with or for "Ali".

Therefore, Your Affiant respectfully requests that an Arrest Warrant be issued for Defendant Alaa (Ali) Ragb Fekry Abdel Aziz, DOB: 12/04/77, for the crimes of: (1) CRS 18-2-201, Conspiracy (to commit Forgery and Criminal Impersonation) a Class 6 Felony, and (2) CRS 18-8-105, Accessory (to commit Forgery and Criminal Impersonation), a Class 6 Felony, for planning and assisting co-Defendant Matthew Tuilethfuga to be impersonate himself as "Lillian Husk" to open a bank/checking account at ENT Federal Credit Union and TCF National Banks (to probably defraud them later by making non-sufficient funds checks, etc.) and obtain a State of Colorado ID card—knowing that he was using an identity other than his own.

The criminal events identified in this Affidavit for an Arrest Warrant occurred within the City of Colorado Springs, County of El Paso, and State of Colorado.

This Application and Affidavit for Arrest Warrant are submitted in support of C.S.P.D. case reports #01-23417, 01-26763, 01-28315, and 01-28317.



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Sworn and subscribed before me this 24th day of August, 2001.

Judge: 