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August 29, 2014

OCSO NABS SUSPECTS IN LARGE SCALE THEFT RING



Kristopher Leake

Edmond Frazier

Two Chicago men believed to be part of a large scale theft ring were arrested August 25th in Destin by the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office. An active multi-jurisdictional investigation into the scheme is underway.

18-year old Kristopher Charles Leake and 25-year old Edmond Brandon Frazier are charged with Grand Theft (Retail) and Fraud.

Deputies were called to the Destin Target at 853 Harbor Boulevard in Destin in reference to suspicious activity. A regional fraud investigator for Target Corporation said two men spotted at the store were believed to be part of a theft return ring involved in altering or modifying receipts. In essence the thieves devised a way to defraud businesses by returning items for cash using altered and inaccurate receipts.

Investigators believe Leake and Frazier are part of a large, organized ring that has accounted for an estimated \$100,000 worth of fraudulent activity.

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A search of the White Nissan Altima being driven by the suspects turned up wireless baby monitors, Bluetooth equipments, numerous Target bags, receipts, and other items.

Individual arrest reports are attached to the release.



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ARREST REPORT

OKALOOSA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE

REPORT NO: OCSO14ARR008900

Jail Booking No	Offense No OCSO14OFF010257	Other No OCSO14CAD153300	OBTS 4601099102
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[SUSPECT]

Last LEAKE First KRISTOPHER Middle CHARLES Title Race B Sex M DOB 1/12/1996 Age 18 Hgt 5'10" Wgt 130
 Eyes BRO Hair BLD MNI Number OCSO14MNI013492 SSN [REDACTED] ID. No. St Type OCA/Agency ID 202884

Birth Location: City: CHICAGO County: State: IL Nation: UNITED STATES Citizenship: UNITED STATES
 Address

10020 SOUTH PERRY AVE CHICAGO IL 60620

Occupations (Current/Last Known is Listed First)

Business: HAIRCUTTER, Job Title: , Entered: 8/25/2014

Aliases (Last, First Middle Title DOB)

* none found in MNI *

Street Names

* none found in MNI *

[INCIDENT INFORMATION]

Occurred Date Range: 8/25/2014 14:27 to 8/25/2014 14:27 Lat / Long 30.39056 / -86.48111
 No. 853 Di Street HARBOR BD Apt/Lot City DESTIN ST FL Zip 32541 (GEO) 3 - 25 - -

[CHARGES]

812.014.2c1

LARCENCY

THEFT IS \$300 OR MORE BUT LESS THAN \$5000

Counts	Level	Degree	GOC	UCR	NCIC	AON	Bond Amount
1	Felony	Third	Principal	260A		2399	

817.037.

FRAUD-IMPERSON

GIVE FALSE INFORMATION TO OBTAIN REFUND

Counts	Level	Degree	GOC	UCR	NCIC	AON	Bond Amount
1	Misdemeanor	Second	Principal	9000		2604	

[STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE / NARRATIVE]

On 8/25/2014, the defendant, Kristopher Charles Leake did commit the following offenses in violation of Florida State Statutes; 812.014(2)(C)(1); Theft is \$300.00 or more but less than \$5000.00 and 817.037; Give false information to obtain refund.

Per sworn affidavit of complaint by the Loss Prevention Officer, Taylor Loar, Leake was observed to have entered Target located at 853 Harbor Boulevard. While in the store he went to the customer service counter with two receipts in an attempt to return a Bose surround sound bar valued at \$399.99 and a Samsung Tablet valued at \$799.98. It was later discovered by the Loss Prevention Officer that the receipts Leake had were altered and the actual value of the Bose Surround sound bar is valued at \$199.99 and the Samsung Tablet was valued at \$399.99. On the receipts it was clear the number of items was altered to show only one on each receipt. Leake received a cash refund in the amount of \$1,288.00 for two items. Leake had a codefendant, Edmond Brandon Frazier who was arrested for the same offenses and had two receipts in an attempt to return a Bose headphones valued at \$499.98 and a Sony Digital Camera valued at \$699.98. It was later discovered by the Loss Prevention Officer that the receipts Frazier had were altered and the actual value of the Bose headphones is valued at \$249.99 and the Sony Digital Camera was valued at \$349.99.

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Post Miranda, Leake did not admit to the fraudulent returns and the altered receipts.

These offenses did occur in Okaloosa County Florida.

I hereby swear (or affirm) that the facts established on this affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature (Arresting Officer) _____ **PUTNAM, ZACHARY D** Name **265** ID/SSN

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this 28 day of August A.D., 2014 by _____ who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Signature _____ Notary Public _____ LEO _____ CO

Commission No: _____ My Commission Expires _____

[PHYSICAL EVIDENCE] [NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE LISTED]

[ARREST INFORMATION]

Arrested	Residency	Injured	Extent of Injury	Resist
8/25/2014 14:27	Within country	None	N/A	No
No.	Di	Street	Arrested Prior	Arrest Jurisdiction
853		HARBOR BD	Unknown	Within jurisdiction
Arresting Officer			A/L	City
265 PUTNAM, ZACHARY D				DESTIN
Reporting Officer			Unit	Alcohol
265 PUTNAM, ZACHARY D			OCSO/FSV/EAST/AC/C-SHIFT	Unknown
Forward to for approval			(GEO)	ST Zip
OCSO/FSV/EAST/AC/C-SHIFT			3 - 25 - -	FL 32541
				Lat / Long
				30.39056 / -86.48111
				Drugs
				Unknown
				Officer Type
				Original Offense Jurisdiction
				OCSO

Bond Set by LEO at Time of Arrest & Booking: \$0.00

- None
- ROR
- Cash
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Cash PTR

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Return Court: CIRCUIT COURT: FELONY Date: 10/7/2014 Time: 15:30
Instructions: OKALOOSA COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX EXTENSION

[DISPOSITION]

<u>Disposition Type</u>	<u>Release Type</u>	<u>Other Desc</u>
<u>Release Date</u> <u>Release Time</u> <u>Release Officer</u>		<u>Printed</u> <u>Printed By</u> No
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[ADDITIONAL PERSONS]

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Signature of Assistant State Attorney _____ Date _____

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[SUSPECT]

Last First Middle Title Race Sex DOB Age Hgt Wgt
FRAZIER **EDMOND** **BRANDON** **B** **M** **8/12/1989** **25** **5'04"** **160**
Eyes Hair MNI Number SSN I.D. No. St Type OCA/Agency ID
BRO **BLK** **OCSO14MNI013490** **202883**

Birth Location: City: CHICAGO County: State: IL Nation: UNITED STATES Citizenship: UNITED STATES Address

5449 BISHOP ST Apt/Lot: 503 CHICAGO IL 60643

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