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1 IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
2 FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT DELTA JUNCTION

3 STATE OF ALASKA,

4 Plaintiff,

5 vs.

No. 4DJ-18-_____CR
(Sirje Kulakevich)

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7 SIRJE KULAKEVICH
8 DOB: 11/04/1961
9 APSIN ID: 6821873
10 DMV NO.: 6821873 AK
11 ATN: 115745652

12 Defendant.

13 INFORMATION

14 I certify this document and its attachments do not contain the (1) name of a victim of a sexual offense listed in AS 12.61.140 or (2)
15 residence or business address or telephone number of a victim of or witness to any offense unless it is an address identifying the place of a
16 crime or an address or telephone number in a transcript of a court proceeding and disclosure of the information was ordered by the court.
17 The following counts charge a crime involving DOMESTIC VIOLENCE as defined in AS 18.66.990: NONE

18 Count I - AS 47.05.210(a)(1) Fel B
19 Medical Assistance Fraud
20 Sirje Kulakevich - 001

21 Count II - AS 11.46.600(a)(2)
22 Scheme To Defraud
23 Sirje Kulakevich - 002

24 THE OFFICE OF SPECIAL PROSECUTIONS CHARGES:

25 COUNT I

26 That in the Third Judicial District, State of Alaska, on or about October 10, 2010 t
27 hrough April 28, 2016, at or near Anchorage and/or Delta Junction, SIRJE
KULAKEVICH knowingly submitted or authorized the submission of a claim to a

1 medical assistance agency for property, services, or a benefit with reckless disregard that
2 the claimant is not entitled to the property, services, or benefit.

3 All of which is a Class B Felony offense being contrary to and in violation of
4 47.05.210(a)(1) and against the peace and dignity of the State of Alaska.

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6 **COUNT II**

7 That in the Third Judicial District, State of Alaska, on or between October 10, 2
8 010 and April 28, 2016, at or near Anchorage and/or Delta Junction, SIRJE
9 KULAKEVICH engaged in conduct constituting a scheme to defraud one or more
10 persons of \$10,000 or to obtain \$10,000 or more from one or more persons by false or
11 fraudulent pretense, representation, or promise and obtained property or services in
12 accordance with the scheme.

13 All of which is a Class B Felony offense being contrary to and in violation of
14 11.46.600(a)(2) and against the peace and dignity of the State of Alaska.

15 The undersigned swears under oath this Information is based upon a review of
16 police report PBK-0682628 submitted to date.

17 On 2/16/2018, Department of Revenue, PFD Investigator Linette Lacy referred
18 this case to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (“MFCU”) via email to Chief Investigator
19 Quinten Warren. Sirje Kulakevich was employed by PCA agency Alaska Home Care
20 (“AHC”) and their subsidiary, Nataliya’s Care Services, as a personal care assistant
21 (“PCA”) from 2010-2016. During this timeframe Kulakevich had lengthy absences from
22 the State of Alaska. During these absences, she submitted PCA timesheets, which
23 included notes about condition of the recipients and a signed certification, and was
24 compensated for PCA services in Delta Junction, Alaska even though Kulakevich was
25 not in the State of Alaska during the period the care was allegedly provided.

26 MFCU Forensic Accountant Margie Summers downloaded PCA claims
27 associated with Sirje Kulakevich’s rendering ID number and recipient claims related to

1 Medicaid to two recipients to which Sirje Kulavevich was assigned. MFCU Investigators
2 received Alaska Airlines travel records for Kulakevich and other family members and
3 Kulakevich's Department of Labor records demonstrating her employment history with
4 AHC. International travel records were obtained from Tim Brady at ICE and the relevant
5 PCA timesheets and pay stubs were obtained from AHC.

6 A comparison of the travel records to relevant PCA timesheets, pay stubs, and
7 the agency's Medicaid billing claims (as well as her own admissions) revealed that Sirje
8 Kulakevich submitted PCA timesheets during all timeframes she was traveling outside
9 the State of Alaska and not personally providing the service billed. The aggregate amount
10 of the fraudulent claims is \$50,484.32.

11 MFCU Investigator Margo Mandel interviewed Kulakevich, who admitted she
12 had pre-signed timesheets, received the proceeds for the PCA services, and then would
13 compensate her children Viktorya and Vilyam with those funds. "She was doing the job,
14 so she would get the money." She said she would transfer the money electronically when
15 she was gone for longer periods, and would pay them cash when she returned from
16 shorter trips. She could not recall if she had this arrangement with anyone other than her
17 two children.

18 Vilyam Kulakevich is Sirje Kulakevich's 32-year-old son who resides in Delta
19 Junction. He is an enrolled PCA with reported wage earnings from AHC. According to
20 information contained in the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development
21 database, he earned wages from AHC from the second quarter of 2013 to the fourth
22 quarter of 2015. The billing claims submitted to Medicaid for his services, however,
23 indicate the only recipient he has provided services to was a single Medicaid recipient
24 who was not one of the recipients of the care claimed by Sirje. Any care provided to
25 Sirje's clients by Vilyam would have had to have been approved by the agency and any
26 timesheets provided would have had to have been signed by Vilyam and submitted under
27 his provider ID.

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Viktorya Shestopalov is Sirje Kulakevich’s 31-year-old daughter who resides in Delta Junction. She has never been an enrolled PCA, which requires certain training and a background check, and has no reported wage earnings from AHC.

BAIL INFORMATION

Per the Alaska Public Safety Information Network, the defendant has the following convictions in Alaska: NONE

Dated at Delta Junction, Alaska, this ____ day of November, 2018.

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