

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF DELAWARE COUNTY, OHIO

STATE OF OHIO,

Plaintiff,

VS.

INDICTMENT

DERRICK CHRISTOPHER SOTO
JACOB ANDREW WILLISTON
JOHNNIE JO NATHAN BARRINGER
NIKKI ANN BRLETIC
JAYLA MARIE JAMES,

On the term Part I - Session II

Defendant.

Count One

The Jurors of the Grand Jury of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of Delaware County, on their oaths, in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, do find and present:

Derrick Christopher Soto, Jacob Andrew Williston, Johnnie Jo Nathan Barringer, Nikki Ann Brletic, and Jayla Marie James, on or about the 1st day of April, 2025 through the 30th day of September, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, while employed by, or associated with, any enterprise did conduct or participate in, directly or indirectly, the affairs of the enterprise through a pattern of corrupt activity or the collection of an unlawful debt, to wit: Enterprise consisted of the above-captioned Defendants and other unnamed / unidentified individuals. The Enterprise's purpose was to arrange / promote prostitution. Soto would recruit or convince females to engage in prostitution. Then, Soto would have Barringer, Breletic, and James post online ads for these females. The ads were placed on websites commonly used by "Johns" to find prostitutes. Soto would furnish the hotel room to be used by the females to engage in prostitution and he would arrange for their transportation to conduct prostitution. One of the enterprise members who transported the females was Williston. Enterprise engaged in

money laundering by conducting numerous financial transactions to further the purpose of the Enterprise such as the online ads and transportation. Soto would also furnish the females with narcotics. Soto would sometimes furnish the narcotics to enable the females to go on "dates with Johns." Counts Two through ~~Eleven~~¹⁹ shall also be considered predicate acts of the Enterprise; at least one of the incidents of corrupt activity was a felony of the first, second, or third degree, aggravated murder, or murder, or at least one of the incidents was a felony under the law of this state that was committed prior to July 1, 1996, and constituted a felony of the first, second, or third degree, aggravated murder, or murder or was committed on or after July 1, 1996, or one of the incidents of corrupt activity was a felony under the law of the United States or of another state that, if committed in this state on or after July 1, 1996, would have constituted a felony of the first, second, or third degree, aggravated murder, or murder under the law of this state, to wit: Money Laundering in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2923.32(A)(1), 2923.32(B)(1), **Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity**, a felony of the first degree.

Human Trafficking Specification - §2941.1422(A)

The Grand Jurors further find and specify that:

Derrick Christopher Soto and knowingly committed the offense in furtherance of human trafficking.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Two

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Derrick Christopher Soto, on or about the 1st day of April, 2025 through the 22nd day of September, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did knowingly supervise, manage, or control the activities of a prostitute in engaging in sexual activity

for hire in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2907.22(A)(2), 2907.22(B), **Promoting Prostitution**, a felony of the fourth degree.

Human Trafficking Specification - §2941.1422(A)

The Grand Jurors further find and specify that:

Derrick Christopher Soto knowingly committed the offense in furtherance of human trafficking.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Three

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Derrick Christopher Soto, on or about the 1st day of April 2025 through on or about the 22nd day of September 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did knowingly supervise, manage, or control the activities of a prostitute in engaging in sexual activity for hire in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2907.22(A)(2), 2907.22(B), **Promoting Prostitution**, a felony of the fourth degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Four

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Derrick Christopher Soto, on or about the 1st day of April, 2025 through the 22nd day of September, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did knowingly, for the purpose of violating or facilitating the violation of Section 2907.22 of the Revised Code, induce or procure another to engage in sexual activity for hire in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2907.22(A)(4), 2907.22(B), **Promoting Prostitution**, a felony of the fourth degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Five

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Derrick Christopher Soto, on or about the 23rd day of September, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did knowingly transport Jane Doe #1 or cause her to be transported in order to facilitate her engaging in sexual activity for hire in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2907.22(A)(3), 2907.22(B), **Promoting Prostitution**, a felony of the fourth degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Six

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Derrick Christopher Soto, on or about the 23rd day of September, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did knowingly supervise, manage, or control the activities of a prostitute in engaging in sexual activity for hire in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2907.22(A)(2), 2907.22(B), **Promoting Prostitution**, a felony of the fourth degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Seven

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Derrick Christopher Soto, on or about the 1st day of April, 2025, through on or about the 30th day of September, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did

knowingly supervise, manage, or control the activities of a prostitute in engaging in sexual activity for hire, this Count is separate and distinct from Count Three, in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2907.22(A)(2), 2907.22(B), **Promoting Prostitution**, a felony of the fourth degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Eight

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Derrick Christopher Soto and Jayla Marie James, on or about the 24th day of July, 2025 through the 23rd day of September, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did conduct or attempt to conduct a transaction with the purpose to promote, manage, establish, carry on, or facilitate the promotion, management, establishment, or carrying on of corrupt activity in violation of Ohio Revised Code §1315.55(A)(3), 1315.99(C), **Money Laundering**, a felony of the third degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Nine

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Derrick Christopher Soto and Johnnie Jo Nathan Barringer, on or about the 23rd day of May, 2025 through the 29th day of May, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did conduct or attempt to conduct a transaction with the purpose to promote, manage, establish, carry on, or facilitate the promotion, management, establishment, or carrying on of corrupt activity in violation of Ohio Revised Code §1315.55(A)(3), 1315.99(C), **Money Laundering**, a felony of the third degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Ten

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Derrick Christopher Soto and Nikki Ann Brletic, on or about the 19th day of August, 2025 through the 22nd day of September, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did conduct or attempt to conduct a transaction with the purpose to promote, manage, establish, carry on, or facilitate the promotion, management, establishment, or carrying on of corrupt activity in violation of Ohio Revised Code §1315.55(A)(3), 1315.99(C), **Money Laundering**, a felony of the third degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Eleven

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Derrick Christopher Soto and Jacob Andrew Williston, on or about the 17th day of June, 2025 through the 14th day of August, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did conduct or attempt to conduct a transaction with the purpose to promote, manage, establish, carry on, or facilitate the promotion, management, establishment, or carrying on of corrupt activity in violation of Ohio Revised Code §1315.55(A)(3), 1315.99(C), **Money Laundering**, a felony of the third degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Twelve

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Johnnie Jo Nathan Barringer, on or about May 5, 2025, through on or about May 29, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did knowingly supervise, manage, or control the activities of a prostitute in engaging in sexual activity for hire in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2907.22(A)(2), 2907.22(B), **Promoting Prostitution**, a felony of the fourth degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Thirteen

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Johnnie Jo Nathan Barringer, on or about the 5th day of May, 2025 through the 29th day of May, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did knowingly, for the purpose of violating or facilitating the violation of Section 2907.22 of the Revised Code, induce or procure another to engage in sexual activity for hire in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2907.22(A)(4), 2907.22(B), **Promoting Prostitution**, a felony of the fourth degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Fourteen

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Nikki Breltic, on or about June 9, 2025, through on or about September 30, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did knowingly supervise, manage, or control

the activities of a prostitute in engaging in sexual activity for hire in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2907.22(A)(2), 2907.22(B), **Promoting Prostitution**, a felony of the fourth degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Fifteen

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Nikki Breltic, on or about June 9, 2025, through on or about September 30, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did knowingly, for the purpose of violating or facilitating the violation of Section 2907.22 of the Revised Code, induce or procure another to engage in sexual activity for hire in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2907.22(A)(4), 2907.22(B), **Promoting Prostitution**, a felony of the fourth degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Sixteen

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Jayla James, on or about July 24, 2025, through on or about August 1, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did knowingly supervise, manage, or control the activities of a prostitute in engaging in sexual activity for hire in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2907.22(A)(2), 2907.22(B), **Promoting Prostitution**, a felony of the fourth degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Seventeen

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Jayla James, on or about July 24, 2025, through on or about August 1, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did knowingly, for the purpose of violating or facilitating the violation of Section 2907.22 of the Revised Code, induce or procure another to engage in sexual activity for hire in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2907.22(A)(4), 2907.22(B), **Promoting Prostitution**, a felony of the fourth degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Eighteen

The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Jacob Andrew Williston, on or about June 17, 2025, through on or about August 14, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did knowingly transport another or cause her to be transported in order to facilitate her engaging in sexual activity for hire in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2907.22(A)(3), 2907.22(B), **Promoting Prostitution**, a felony of the fourth degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Nineteen

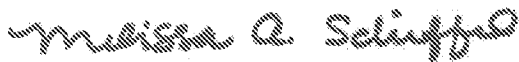
The Grand Jurors further find and present:

Jacob Andrew Williston, on or about June 17, 2025, through on or about August 14, 2025, in the county of Delaware or by some manner enumerated in Section 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code whereby proper venue is placed in Delaware County, Ohio, did knowingly, for the purpose of violating or facilitating the violation of Section 2907.22 of the Revised Code, induce or procure

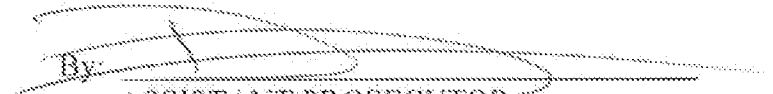
another to engage in sexual activity for hire in violation of Ohio Revised Code §2907.22(A)(4),
2907.22(B), **Promoting Prostitution**, a felony of the fourth degree.

*The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the
peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.*

**MELISSA A. SCHIFFEL
DELAWARE COUNTY
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY**

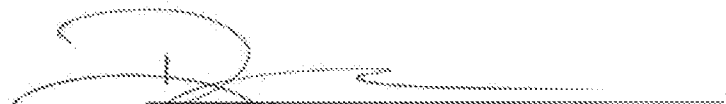


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By: _____
ASSISTANT PROSECUTOR
(0089785)

A TRUE BILL

This Bill of Indictment found upon testimony sworn and sent before the Grand Jury at
the request of the Prosecuting Attorney.



FOREPERSON OF THE GRAND JURY