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News Release

On May 28, 2014, Dion Mimbs, a prolific Identity Thief, pled guilty to the courts offer of 43 counts of Identity Theft and 3 counts of Grand Theft, his sentence was 13 years in State Prison and he was ordered to pay over 1.7 million dollars in restitution to the victims.

Detectives from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Fraud and Cyber Crimes Bureau, Identity Theft Task Force, arrested Dion Mimbs in January of 2014 after serving a search warrant at his home in Marina Del Rey.

Mr. Mimbs, who had stolen the Identities of hundreds of individuals, which included children and deceased persons had created numerous synthetic identities and had stolen more than 1.5 million dollars in cash and high end merchandise. Mimbs also had stolen 11 vehicles through identity theft and fraudulent applications.

Detectives working closely with bank and finance company investigators finally were able to locate Mimbs who had been maintaining a low profile and living in a luxurious apartment complex in Marina del Rey after tracking down one of the many vehicles he had obtained through false applications since December 2010.

Mimbs, who was under surveillance at the time of his arrest, was stopped on the 210 and 605 freeway heading out of town while Detectives from the Task Force served a search warrant at his residence. There evidence, money and fruits of Mimbs crimes was seized.

The Los Angeles District Attorney's High Tech Crimes Division , who works hand and hand with the Task Force, filed the criminal complaint.

Mimbs, who is currently in the custody of the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department awaiting his transfer to State Prison, had been previously convicted in 2007 after being arrested by the Task Force for grand theft, burglary and falsifying credit applications and had received a one year sentence.

The Task Force includes members of both federal and local law enforcement agencies to include the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Secret Service and Social Security Inspector Generals Office.

For information on how to protect yourself against Identity Theft, or if you have been a victim, the Federal Trade Commission offers many resources to assist you at FTC.GOV/IDTHEFT.

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