

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA :
: SEALED INDICTMENT
- v. - : S6 17 Cr. 630
MARK S. SCOTT, :
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Defendant. :
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COUNT ONE
(Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering)

The Grand Jury charges:

1. From at least in or about 2016 through in or about 2018, in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere, MARK S. SCOTT, the defendant, and others known and unknown, knowingly did combine, conspire, confederate, and agree together and with each other to commit money laundering, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and 1956(a)(2)(B)(i).

2. It was a part and an object of the conspiracy that MARK S. SCOTT, the defendant, and others known and unknown, knowing that the property involved in certain financial transactions represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, would and did conduct and attempt to conduct such financial transactions which in fact involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, to wit, approximately \$400 million

in proceeds of a pyramid scheme involving a purported cryptocurrency known as "OneCoin," knowing that the transactions were designed in whole and in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i).

3. It was further a part and an object of the conspiracy that MARK S. SCOTT, the defendant, and others known and unknown, would and did transport, transmit, and transfer, and attempt to transport, transmit, and transfer a monetary instrument and funds from a place in the United States to and through a place outside the United States, and to a place in the United States from and through a place outside the United States, knowing that the monetary instrument and funds involved in the transportation, transmission, and transfer represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity and knowing that such transportation, transmission, and transfer was designed in whole and in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, to wit, approximately \$400 million in proceeds of a pyramid scheme involving a purported cryptocurrency known as "OneCoin," in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(2)(B)(i).

(Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h).)

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION

4. As a result of committing the offense alleged in Count One of this Indictment, MARK S. SCOTT, the defendant, shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(1), any and all property, real and personal, involved in said offense, or any property traceable to such property, including but not limited to a sum of money in United States currency representing the amount of property involved in said offense.

Substitute Asset Provision

5. If any of the above-described forfeitable property, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
- c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court;
- d. has been substantially diminished in value; or
- e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be subdivided without difficulty;

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), to seek forfeiture of any other property

of the defendant up to the value of the above forfeitable property.

(Title 18, United States Code, Section 982;
Title 21, United States Code, Sections 853; and
Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461.)



FOREPERSON

August 31, 2018

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Geoffrey S. Berman".

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