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Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics and Public Trust

Memo

To: Mike Murawski, independent ethics advocate
From: Karl Ross, ethics investigator
Date: July 26, 2013
Re: K13-076 Emmanuel Nwadike Assets

Close-out recommended:

At the request of ASA Breezye Telfair, the above inquiry was opened to establish whether the co-defendant, now a witness, in the pending Opa-locka RICO case has acquired property out of state in order to conceal available assets.

Commercially available information linked an individual by the same name to properties in South Carolina and Georgia through an LLC called Chidex Management, which has a Wisconsin mailing address.

A review of public records and additional identifiers showed that the defendant in the Opa-locka case, Emmanuel Victor Nwadike, age 69, is not the same individual who owns the property in South Carolina and Georgia. That individual is Emmanuel Obumneme Nwadike, age 42. Their social security numbers are different as well.

COE called the home of Emmanuel O. Nwadike in South Carolina and spoke to his wife, Ego Nwadike, who advised that her husband, a medical doctor, is not related to the co-defendant in question. She said the name is a common Nigerian last name, and said her husband was aware of the co-defendant and his legal troubles.

COE later received a phone call from Emmanuel O. Nwadike, MD, and the matter was further clarified. Accordingly, the case should be closed at this time.

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