

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

ERIC MEINEL,

Defendant.

JON W. SANFILIPPO
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Case No. 09 **CR-217**
[18 U.S.C. §§1343 and 2]

INFORMATION

The United States Attorney charges:

1. Between on or about January 1, 2004, and on or about November 1, 2005, in the State and Eastern District of Wisconsin, and elsewhere,

ERIC MEINEL

did knowingly participate in a scheme to defraud mortgage lenders and to obtain money and property by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses and representations, which scheme is more particularly described in the following paragraphs:

Scheme to Defraud

2. Mortgage loan originator James Lytle prepared fraudulent loan applications to secure loan funds for the purchase of residential properties, including properties owned and offered for sale by the defendant in his individual capacity, and as a partner in Accolade Enterprises.

3. The applications were fraudulent in that they were prepared in the names of

straw buyers and contained materially false information about such things as the true identity of the prospective buyer, his income and assets and other information material to his capacity to pay a mortgage on the subject properties.

4. Based upon the fraudulent loan applications, lenders funded mortgage loans for the purchase of the properties, including a property located at 1577 N. Lincoln Avenue, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, offered for sale by the defendant.

5. Subsequent to the funding, the loans were allowed to go into default and foreclosure, causing a loss to the respective lenders.

6. In furtherance of the scheme, the defendant signed documents transferring his properties to straw buyers and paid Lytle and others for orchestrating the transactions which resulted in the sale of the properties.

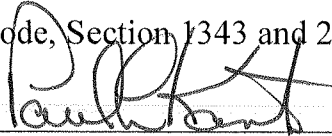
Execution of the Scheme

7. On or about December 7, 2004, in the State and Eastern District of Wisconsin, Eric Meinel, for the purpose of executing the scheme described above, did knowingly cause to be transmitted in interstate commerce by means of wire communication, funds of approximately \$245,028.96 from the warehouse account of GMAC-RFC at Bank One, Chicago, Illinois, to the escrow account of Nations Title Agency of Wisconsin, Inc., at Bank One, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for the purchase of 1577 N. Lincoln Avenue, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343 and 2.

Date

9/1/09


MICHELLE L. JACOBS
United States Attorney

Name of Defendant: Eric Meinel		Address: City, State and Zip Code): N 3250 Cherry Road Lake Geneva, WI		
Date of Birth: xx/xx/1978		Occupation: Unknown		
Name of Defendant's Attorney: John O. Olson		Address of Defendant's Attorney: 716 Wisconsin Street Post Office Box 940 Lake Geneva, WI 53147		
Name of U.S. Attorney: Carol L. Kraft				
Has warrant been issued?	When?	By Whom?	When?	
No				
Has warrant been executed?	When?	Where?		
No				
Has defendant appeared before a Magistrate?	When?	Who?		
No				
Is the defendant in custody?	Where?			
No				
Pretrial Scheduling Conference Necessary? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO				
Issue: WARRANT	SUMMONS	NOTICE XX	MISDEMEANOR	FELONY XX
Milwaukee Case <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Green Bay Case <input type="checkbox"/>				
Minor Offense				
Petty Offense				
Arrestment & plea before:		Judge:	Magistrate:	

(The above information to be furnished in duplicate (1 copy for file and 1 copy for Marshal with 2 conformed copies of indictment and/or information of defendant))

THE ABOVE INFORMATION TO BE FURNISHED IF KNOWN

Charge: **18 U.S.C. §1343 and 2 Maximum penalties: 20 years and \$250,000 fine;
\$100 SA and 3 yrs SR**

Agency/Agent: **S/A Mike Sheen, Federal Bureau of Investigation**

OCDEF: **No**