

Memorandum



To : [REDACTED] Chief
Witness Security Unit (Attn: [REDACTED])
Date: 08/15/2002

From : [REDACTED] Chief

Subject : NICHOLAS W. CALABRESE
WITNESS SECURITY PROGRAM

Enclosed for the information of your office is a Threat Assessment from the FBI's Chicago Division requesting the inclusion of Mr. Calabrese in the WSP.

If your office has not received an Assistant United States Attorney's application within two weeks of the attached FBI Threat Assessment, your office is requested to advise FBI Headquarters.

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Enclosure

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FBI Threat
Assessment

Title: Nicholas W. Calabrese
Witness Security Program

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Details: Synopsis of Investigation

(1) Case Caption and File Number: Nicholas Calabrese will testify in entitled FAMILY SECRETS.

(2) Nature of testimony: The testimony involves homicides, as well as other illegal activities of the Chicago LCN, to include juice loans, street tax extortion, gambling and arson. All of the following homicides were carried out upon the orders of the Chicago LCN.

In addition to fourteen named victims, Nicholas Calabrese will testify that he, along with his brother, Frank Calabrese, Sr., and Ronald Jarrett, who is deceased, planned and committed the murder of an individual whose true identity has not yet been determined but was nicknamed "Bones" or "Ham Bone" and was murdered in 1970 in Illinois.

Nicholas Calabrese will also testify that he, along with Frank Calabrese, Sr., Frank Saladino, and Ronald Jarrett, who is deceased, planned and conducted surveillance in order to murder an unknown male who lived on Grand Avenue in Chicago, Illinois. Nicholas Calabrese did not participate in the murder itself but was involved in the surveillance and planning of the murder. Nicholas Calabrese was later informed by Frank Calabrese, Sr. that the murder was carried out. This murder occurred in approximately 1976.

Nicholas Calabrese will testify that he, along with Joseph LaMantia, Frank Calabrese, Sr., and Frank Saladino, planned and attempted to murder Samuel Annerino. Ronald Jarrett, who is deceased, also participated in the planning and attempted murder of Annerino. Although the attempt was unsuccessful, Nicholas Calabrese later learned that the murder was later carried out by Joseph Scalise. William Petrocelli and Anthony Borsellino also participated in the murder of Annerino but are deceased. Annerino was murdered on July 25, 1977.

Nicholas Calabrese will also testify that he along with Frank Calabrese, Sr., and Frank Saladino, planned and committed the murder of Paul Haggerty whose body was found on June 30, 1976. Ronald Jarrett, Frank Furio, Angelo LaPietra, and Turk Tozello, who are all deceased, also participated in Haggerty's murder.

Nicholas Calabrese will also testify that he along with Frank Calabrese, Sr., and Frank Saladino, planned and committed the murder of John Mendell whose body was found February 20, 1978. Ronald Jarrett, who is deceased, also participated in the ~~planning and murder of John Mendell.~~

Nicholas Calabrese will also testify that he along with Frank Calabrese, Sr., and Frank Saladino, planned and committed the murders of Vincent Moretti and Donald Renno, whose bodies were found on February 4, 1978. Ronald Jarrett, James LaPietra, John Fecarotta, John Monteleone, Joseph Ferriola, Anthony Borsellino, and William Petrocelli, who are deceased, were also involved in the planning and murders of Moretti and Renno.

Nicholas Calabrese will also testify that he along with Frank Calabrese, Sr., and Frank Santucci planned and committed the murder of William Petrocelli, whose body was found on March 14, 1981 in Illinois. James LaPietra, Frank Furio and Gerald Scarpelli, who are deceased, also participated in the planning and murder of Petrocelli.

Nicholas Calabrese will testify that he along with Frank Calabrese, Sr. planned and committed the murder of Michael P. Cagnoni which occurred on June 24, 1981, in Illinois. Joseph Ferriola, Angelo Lapietra, John Fecarotta, James DiForti, and John Monteleone, who are deceased, also participated in the planning and murder of Cagnoni.

Nicholas Calabrese will also testify that he, along with James Marcello, planned and committed the murder of Nicholas D'Andrea, whose body was found on October 3, 1981 in Illinois.

listed activities were paid to the higher ranking members of the Chicago LCN.

Nicholas Calabrese also provided information on approximately 22 other Chicago LCN murders, all of which are currently unsolved and in which Nicholas Calabrese played no part. Nicholas Calabrese received a vast majority of his information from John Fecarotta.

Additionally, Nicholas Calabrese's testimony directly implicates a number of current high ranking members of the Chicago LCN.

(3) Link to Organized Crime Activity: Nicholas Calabrese's anticipated testimony specifically relates to Organized Crime because all of the acts which Nicholas Calabrese can testify about were ordered, approved or on the behalf of the Chicago LCN.

(4) Scope of the Case and Impact of Prosecution on Criminal Justice: The case is of the greatest significance for the Chicago Organized Crime Program. All of the murders which Nicholas Calabrese will testify about are high profile LCN related murders. Additionally, Nicholas Calabrese is the first "made" member of the Chicago LCN to cooperate with law enforcement and agree to testify.

(5) Identities of other witnesses approved or considered for WSP: None.

Threat Assessment

(1) Assessment of danger to the witness as a result of his/her cooperation: Nicholas Calabrese's cooperation with law enforcement poses a great risk of danger to his life. It is anticipated that Nicholas Calabrese's testimony will lead to the indictment of a number of high ranking members of the Chicago LCN, all of whom have demonstrated a great propensity for violence. Another consideration which increases the danger to Nicholas Calabrese is that he is the first "made" member in the history of the Chicago LCN to cooperate with law enforcement and to agree to testify. Furthermore, the high ranking Chicago LCN members, who Nicholas Calabrese will testify against, face indictments where the sentence may result in the death penalty, if brought to local prosecution, or life in prison. All members and associates of the Chicago LCN present a serious threat to Nicholas Calabrese's life, but due to the national scope of the LCN and the contact which occurs between LCN members from different geographic locations, all persons associated with the

LCN, regardless of geographic location, present a threat to Nicholas Calabrese.

(2) Reason for request of services and names and identifying data on person who pose a threat: Nicholas Calabrese will be incarcerated before testifying in the "Family Secrets" case. While incarcerated, Nicholas Calabrese would be susceptible to retaliation by inmates associated with organized crime.

Incarcerated Persons

1. Joseph Scalise

FBI Number: 747466D
BOP Number: 87489-024
DOB: 12/25/1937
Sex: Male
Race: White
Offense: Conspiracy to possess cocaine with intent to distribute; use of telephone to facilitate commission of a felony
Release date: 03/04/2006
Confined: FCI Waseca, Minnesota

2. Robert J. Bellavia

FBI Number: 791221D
BOP Number: 12308-016
SSAN: [REDACTED]
DOB: 10/21/1939
Sex: Male
Race: White
Offense: Conspiracy to Defraud United States
Release date: 03/27/2016
Confined: FCI Pekin, Illinois

3. Marco D'Amico

FBI Number: 484765L8
SSAN: [REDACTED]
DOB: 01/01/1936
Sex: Male
Race: White
Offense: RICO; Operating Illegal Bookmaking Organization; Attempted Extortion; Robbery Conspiracy; Tax Evasion; Carrying a Firearm.
Release date: 07/21/2005
Confined: FCI Milan, Michigan

4. Salvatore V. DeLaurentis

FBI Number: 112469H
BOP Number: 49953-079
SSAN: [REDACTED]
DOB: 08/20/1924
Sex: Male
Race: White
Offense: Racketeering; Gambling; Filing False Tax
Return
Release date: 03/22/2006
Confined: FCI Elkton, Ohio

5. Ernest Rocco Infelise

FBI Number: 308006B
BOP Number: 49952-079
SSAN: [REDACTED]
DOB: 03/16/1924
Sex: Male
Race: White
Offense: Racketeering; Gambling; Filing False Tax
Return
Release date: 04/20/2041
Confined: FCI El Reno, Oklahoma

6. Louis T. Marino

FBI Number: 635608F
BOP Number: 01094-424
SSAN: [REDACTED]
DOB: 03/14/1933
Sex: Male
Race: White
Offense: RICO Conspiracy; Illegal Gambling
Conspiracy; Submitting False Tax Return
Release date: 02/01/2016
Confined: FCI Oxford, Wisconsin

7. Robert Salerno

FBI Number: 435936F
BOP Number: 93286-024
DOB: 07/13/1935
Sex: Male
Race: White
Offense: Murder; Conspiracy to Commit Murder
Release date: 11/21/2024
Confined: FCI Greenville, Illinois

8. Albert Tocco

FBI Number: 296484A
BOP Number: 98987-024
SSAN: [REDACTED]
DOB: 08/09/1929
Sex: Male
Race: White
Offense: Racketeering; Filing False Tax Return;
Extortion; Obstruction of Justice
Release date: 08/18/2015
Confined: USP Lompac, California

Persons Not Incarcerated

1. Michael Marcello

FBI Number: 98860CA6
DOB: 02/26/1950
Sex: Male
Race: White
Address: [REDACTED]
Schaumburg, IL 60193

2. Frank Caruso

FBI Number: 421919AA4
DOB: 12/21/1945
Sex: Male
Race: White
Address: [REDACTED]
Lemont, IL

3. Aldo Piscitelli

FBI Number: 503468J1
DOB: 06/17/1954
Sex: Male
Race: White
Address: [REDACTED]
Chicago, IL

4. James Inendino

FBI Number: 371131E
DOB: 12/14/1942
Sex: Male
Race: White
Address: [REDACTED]
Darien, IL 60561

5. Michael Sarno
FBI Number: 390398LA4
DOB: 01/07/1958
Sex: Male
Race: White
Address: [REDACTED]
Countryside, IL 60525

6. Michael Spano, Sr.
FBI Number: 960RB1
DOB: 10/17/1940
Sex: Male
Race: White
Address: [REDACTED]
Darien, IL 60561

7. Paul Spano
FBI Number: 52158F
DOB: 01/18/1931
Sex: Male
Race: White

8. Joseph Andriacchi
FBI Number: 52158F
DOB: 10/20/1932
Sex: Male
Race: White
Address: [REDACTED]
River Forest, IL

9. Joseph Lombardo, Sr.
FBI Number: 673515E
DOB: 01/01/1929
Sex: Male
Race: White
Address: [REDACTED]
Chicago, IL 60612

10. Alphonse Tornabene
FBI Number: None
DOB: 01/16/1923
Sex: Male
Race: White
Address: [REDACTED]
Stickney, IL

11. Rudolph Fratto
FBI Number: None
DOB: 12/12/1943
Sex: Male
Race: White
Address: [REDACTED]
Darien, IL

12. Peter DiFronzo
FBI Number: 392342B
DOB: 05/13/1933
Sex: Male
Race: White
Address: [REDACTED]
Elmwood Park, IL

13. Michael Magnificchi
FBI Number: 839362W6
DOB: 02/16/1962
Sex: Male
Race: White
Address: [REDACTED]
Bloomington, IL 60108

14. John Matassa
SID Number: IL12956430
DOB: 06/18/1951
Sex: Male
Race: White
Address: [REDACTED]
Park Ridge, IL 60068

15. Dino P. Marino
FBI Number: 427198R7
ORI Number: IL30110170
DOB: 01/08/1958
Sex: Male
Race: White
Offense: Mail Fraud
Address: [REDACTED]
Riverside, Illinois

recordings and T-III interceptions of Frank Calabrese, Sr. it is apparent that if Frank Calabrese, Sr. receives any indication that Nicholas Calabrese is cooperating with law enforcement, Frank Calabrese, Sr. will go to any lengths to have Nicholas Calabrese murdered.

2. Frank George Saladino

FBI Number: 397697E
DOB: 12/09/1945
Address: [REDACTED]
Rockford, Illinois
Sex: Male

Ethnic Origin: Italian
Role in Illegal Activity: Saladino was a member of the Calabrese Street Crew in the 1980's and was responsible for collections of juice loans and street tax. Saladino is currently involved with the Rockford family of the LCN and information has been obtained which indicates that Saladino is the Boss of the Rockford family.

3. Joseph Hansen

FBI Number: 255650C
DOB: 09/04/1937
Address: [REDACTED]
Huntington Beach, CA
Sex: Male

Ethnic Origin: Italian
Role in Illegal Activity: Hansen was a participant in the murder of Emil Vaci.

4. Frank Schweibs

FBI Number: 345162A
DOB: 02/07/1930
Address: [REDACTED]
Dania, FL 33004
Sex: Male

Ethnic Origin: Italian
Role in Illegal Activity: Schweibs was in charge of the hit crew which traveled to Las Vegas in an attempt to murder both Michael and Anthony Spilotro. Schweibs also traveled to Phoenix, Arizona in an attempt to murder Emil Vaci. He is currently a convicted extortionist and the FBI has information that he has been involved in other LCN related murders.

5. John DiFronzo

FBI Number: 65585A
DOB: 12/13/1928
Address: [REDACTED]
River Grove, Illinois
Sex: Male

Ethnic Origin: Italian

Role in Illegal Activity: DiFronzo is a high ranking member of the Chicago LCN and was a participant in the murders of Michael and Anthony Spilotro.

6. Paul Schiro

FBI number: 54167E
DOB: 05/08/1937
Address: [REDACTED]
Scottsdale, AZ 85251

Role in Illegal Activity: Schiro was a participant in the murder of Emil Vaci. He was recently convicted of a RICO conspiracy for his role in a Chicago LCN jewelry theft crew.

7. Anthony Doyle

FBI Number: None
DOB: 12/08/1944
Address: [REDACTED]
Wickenburg AZ, 85390

Role in Illegal Activity: Doyle is a retired Chicago Police Officer who has been associated with the Calabrese Street Crew since the 1960's. While employed as a police officer, Doyle would check on the status of the John Pecarotta murder investigation via the use of the Chicago Police Department computers. This information was then passed onto Frank Calabrese, Sr. Doyle would also pass orders/instructions from Calabrese, Sr., who was incarcerated, to members of the Calabrese Street crew, therefore facilitating the continued operation of the street crew.

8. James Marcello

FBI Number: 20348L2
BOP Number: 99076-012
DOB: 12/13/1942
Release Date: 11/05/2003
Address: Confined at FCI Milan, Michigan

Role in the Illegal Activity: Marcello is a high ranking member of the Chicago LCN and participated in the murder of Nicholas D' Andrea. Through his brother, Michael Marcello,

James Marcello is gaining influence in current LCN activities being conducted.

9. Nicholas J. Ferriola

FBI Number: 580280VA3
DOB: 06/01/1975
Address: [REDACTED]

Westchester, Illinois

Role in the Illegal Activity: Ferriola, the son of the late Chicago LCN Boss Joseph Ferriola, is an associate of Frank Calabrese, Sr. and is a member of Frank Calabrese, Sr.'s Crew. Ferriola passes messages onto members of the Chicago LCN from Calabrese, Sr. while Calabrese, Sr. has been incarcerated therefore facilitating the continued operation of the street crew. It is also believed that Ferriola was responsible for collections of street tax and juice loans on behalf of Frank Calabrese, Sr. once Frank Calabrese, Sr.'s lieutenant, Ronald Jarrett, was murdered in gangland style in January 2000.

10. Michael Ricci

FBI number: None
DOB: 06/05/1929
Address: [REDACTED]

Streamwood, Illinois

Role in the Illegal Activity: Ricci, a retired Chicago Police Officer and former Deputy Director, Electronic Monitoring Unit, Cook County Sheriff's Department of Community Supervision and Intervention has been associated with Frank Calabrese, Sr. since the 1960's. Ricci was responsible for passing messages regarding potential cooperators against Frank Calabrese, Sr., to Frank Calabrese, Sr.'s lieutenant, Ronald Jarrett, prior to Jarrett's being murdered. Ricci also obtained information regarding the FBI investigation into the 1986 murder of John Pecarotta and passed this information onto Frank Calabrese, Sr., who was involved in the murder.

11. Joseph LaMantia

FBI Number: 677113A
DOB: 02/01/1934
Address: [REDACTED]

Chicago, Illinois

Sex: Male
Ethnic Origin: Italian

Role in Illegal Activity: LaMantia is a member of the 26th Street Crew, who has been involved in the recent extortion of bookmakers and others in Chicago, Illinois. LaMantia was also

[REDACTED]

(4) Witnesses association with the criminal group: Nicholas Calabrese is a "made" member of the Chicago LCN and can identify all of the made members of the Chicago LCN.

(5) Past acts of retaliation against past witnesses: Chicago organized crime members have previously engaged in a pattern of intimidation and retaliation against witnesses. Such acts have included violence and murder.

(6) If witness is incarcerated, identify incarcerated individuals who pose a threat to witness and list approved visitors to witness: See response to question 2 above.

(7) [REDACTED] The Chicago Division did consider keeping Nicholas Calabrese in the Federal Prison System in general population, however, this alternative was determined not to be a viable option. While incarcerated, Nicholas Calabrese would be susceptible to retaliation by other inmates who may be associated with the defendants or organized crime. To ensure Nicholas Calabrese's safety, it is requested that he be placed in [REDACTED]

Information Identifying the Witness: Nicholas W. Calabrese, currently incarcerated at [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] (1942, Male Caucasian, [REDACTED] BI Number [REDACTED], Bureau of Prisons Register Number [REDACTED]

Government Attorney: Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) John Scully, submitted request for WSP services to DOJ-OEO on August 15, 2002.

Debriefing of Witness: Nicholas Calabrese admitted to participation in sixteen LCN related murders, and provided information on twenty-two LCN related murders in which he did not participate. Debriefings of Nicholas Calabrese are still ongoing at this time, and will be continued when Nicholas Calabrese enters [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Michael W. Maseth, (312) [REDACTED] is the FBI case agent.

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