# ARREST / NOTICE TO APPEAR
## Juvenile Referral Report

1. Arrest 2. N.T.A 3. Request for Warrant 4. Request for Capias: 3

Juvenile: ☒

OBTS Number:

Agency ORI Number: FLO 500800

Agency Name: WEST PALM BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT

Agency Report: 94-22-19947 ( )

Charge Type: Check as Many as apply. ☒ 1. Felony ☒ 3. Misdemeanor ☐ 5. Ordinance ☐ 2. Traffic Felony ☐ 4. Traffic Misdemeanor ☐ 6. Other.

Weapons Seized / Type: 2 (1. Yes 2. No)

Multiple Clearance Indicator:

Location of Arrest (Including Name of Business):

Location of Offense (Business Name, Address): 10269 Orchid Reserve Drive, West Palm beach, FL 33412

| Date Of Arrest | Time Of Arrest | Booking Date | Booking Time | Jail Date | Jail Time | Location of Vehicle |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | N/A |

Name (Last, First, Middle): ***Chichelli, Michael F.***

Alias (Name, DOB, Soc. Sec. #, Etc.):

| Race (W - White, B - Black, I - Amer. Indian, O - Oriental/Asian) | Sex | Date Of Birth | Height | Weight | Eye Color | Hair Color | Complexion | Build |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| W | M | 09 15 69 | 510 | 210 | Brown | Black | white | Medium |

Scars, Marks, Tattoos, Unique Physical Features (Location, Type, Description):

| Marital Status | Religion | Indication Of: | Yes | No | Unk |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Unknown | Unknown | Alcohol Influence | ☐ | ☒ | ☐ |
| | | Drug Influence | ☐ | ☒ | ☐ |

| Local Address (Street, Apt. Number) | City | State | Zip | Phone | Residence Type: (1. City 2. County 3. Florida 4. Out of State) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10404 Saint Germain CT. | Wellington | Florida | 33449 | (954) 444-9318 | 1 |

| Permanent Address (Street, Apt. Number) | City | State | Zip | Phone | Address Source |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10404 Saint Germain CT. | Wellington | Florida | 33449 | (954) 444-9318 | FL DL |

| Business Address (Name, Street) | City | State | Zip | Phone | Occupation |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | ( ) | Unknown |

| D/L Number, State | Soc Sec Number | INS Number | Place of Birth | Citizenship |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| C240-546-69-335-0 | [redacted] | | New York | US |

| Co-Defendant Name (Last, First, Middle) | Race | Sex | Date Of Birth | ☐ 1. Arrested ☐ 2. At Large | ☐ 3. Felony ☐ 4. Misdemeanor ☐ 5. Juvenile |
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| N/A | | | | | |
| Co-Defendant Name (Last, First, Middle) | Race | Sex | Date Of Birth | ☐ 1. Arrested ☐ 2. At Large | ☐ 3. Felony ☐ 4. Misdemeanor ☐ 5. Juvenile |
| N/A | | | | | |

☐ Parent ☐ Legal Custodian ☐ Other: Name (Last): N/A (First): N/A (Middle): N/A

Residence Phone: ( )

Address (Street, Apt. Number): N/A (City): (State): (zip):

Business Phone: ( )

| Notified by: (Name) | Date | Time | Juvenile disposition (1. Handled/ processed within Dept and Released 2 TOT HRS/CYF 3. Incarcerated) |
|---|---|---|---|
| N/A | N/A | N/A | |

| Released To: (Name) | Relationship | Date | Time |
|---|---|---|---|
| N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

The above address was provided by the defendant and/or the defendant's parent(s) The child and/or Parent were told to keep the Juvenile Court Clerk's Office (Phone 820-2526) informed of any change of address. Yes. By (Name) No (Reason)

School Attended: N/A Grade: N/A

Property Crime? (Yes) No

Description of the Property: Stolen Money from an elderly over 65 years of age/contracting without a license

Value of Property: $12420.00

Drug Activity: N. N/A P. Possess S. Sell B. Buy T. Traffic R. Smuggle D. Deliver E. Use K. Dispense/ Distribute M Manufacture/ Produce/ Cultivate Z Other

Type: N N/A A Amphetamine B. Barbiturate C Cocaine E Heroin H. Hallucinogen M Marijuana O Opium/Deriv. P Paraphernalia/ Equipment S Synthetic U. Unknown Z Other

| Charge Description | Counts | FSS / ORD | | Violation of ORD # |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Grand Theft Of Monies Received by Contractor | 3 | ☒ FSS ☐ ORD | 489.1216 (2)(3F) | |

| Drug Activity | Drug Type | Amount / Unit | Offense # | Warrant / Capias Number | Bond |
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| Charge Description | Counts | FSS / ORD | | Violation of ORD # |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Engage In Contracting Without Certification | 3 | ☒ FSS ☐ ORD | 489.127 (1)(F) and (2)(a) | |

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☐ Instruction No. 1 Mandatory Appearance in Court
☐ Instruction No. 2 You need not appear in Court but must comply with instructions on Reverse Side.

Location (Court, Room Number, Address):

Month Day Year Time a.m. p.m.

I AGREE TO APPEAR AT THE TIME AND PLACE DESIGNATED TO ANSWER THE OFFENSE CHARGED OR TO PAY THE FINE SUBSCRIBED I UNDERSTAND THAT SHOULD I WILLFULLY FAIL TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COURT AS REQUIRED BY THIS **NOTICE TO APPEAR**, THAT I MAY BE HELD IN CONTEMPT OF COURT AND A WARRANT FOR MY ARREST SHALL BE ISSUED

X _____ Signature of Defendant (or Juvenile and Parent/ Custodian) Date Signed

JOSEPH ABRUZZO CLERK PALM BEACH COUNTY FL CIRCUIT CRIMINAL

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**HOLD** for other Agency Name:

☐ Dangerous ☐ Suicidal ☐ Resisted Arrest ☐ Other:

Signature of Arresting Officer: X [signature] #1833

Name of Arresting Officer (Print): Det. F. Palacios I.D. #: 1833

Intake Deputy I.D. # Pouch #

Transporting Officer I.D. # Agency

Name Verification (Printed by Arrestee) (PRINT)

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## PROBABLE CAUSE AFFIDAVIT

**OBTS # FL0500800** **CASE 2022-19947**

DEFENDANT: Michael F. Chichelli (W/M, DOB: 9/15/1969), Address: 10404 Saint Germain CT., Wellington, Florida 33449), Tel. (954)444-9318.
VICTIM'S NAME #1: Chriss and Jim Harrison, Address: 10269 Orchid Reserve Drive, West Palm Beach Florida 33412, Tel. (561)531-3565.
VICTIM'S NAME #2: Janet and Christian Silge, Address: 10318 Orchid Reserve Drive, West Palm Beach, Florida 33412, Tel. (847) 736-8616.
VICTIM'S NAME #3: Doris and Myron Saranga, Address: 10309 Orchid Reserve Drive, West Palm Beach, Florida 33412, Tel. (917) 623-6114.

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**BACKGROUND**

On 12/13/2022, West Palm Beach Police Department (WPBPD) police officer Munoz ID #1805 responded to Orchid Reserve Condos within the Ibis community in reference to a grand theft. WPBPD Ofc. Munoz met with victims Christine and Jim Harrison (The Harrison's), Janet and Christian Silge (The Silge's), and Doris and Mike Saranga (The Saranga's).

Ofc Munoz documented that the Harrison's, Silge's, and Saranga's all reside within the same community. Ofc. Munoz documented that all parties above entered into an agreement with Michael Chichelli who according to Sunbiz owns Southern Storm and Security, Inc. All parties involved had separate contracts and met with Ofc. Munoz to file a police report for services not rendered by Chichelli after a down payment deposit made by all three victims.

**YOUR AFFIANT, DET. PALACIOS ID #1833 CONTACT WITH THE HARRISON'S**

On 8/22/2023, your affiant met with the Harrison's at their residence located at 10269 Orchid Reserve Dr., West Palm beach, Florida 33412. The Harrison's provided me with a sworn statement in which they advised me of the following:

On 1/14/2022, The Harison's met with Chichelli at their residence to discuss the installation for patio electric fabric hurricane screens. The Harrison's received a contract from Chichelli at that time, and later signed by Chris Harrison.

On 2/22/2022, Chris Harrison signed the contract trusting Chichelli as he represented himself

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to The Harrison's as both personally and on paper by contract as a licensed contractor.

Chris Harrison further told me that on 2/23/2022, she wrote and mailed the down payment (50 percent of the total work amount) to Chichelli which she later confirmed with Chichelli that the payment was received by him. The total estimate was for $7,940 and Harrison provided a down payment of $3,970 in the form of a check.

Your affiant learned from the Harrison's that installation was supposed to be done in the Spring of 2022 (May of 2022), however The Harrison's were told by Chichelli that the installation would have to be delayed due to supply chain issues in the manufacturing of the product by a company called Alutech. Your affiant further learned from The Harrison's that sometime between September of 2022 and October of 2022, Chichelli installed the side rails but did not come back to finish the job (complete installation).

Since then, Chichelli has stopped all communications with The Harrison's, and he did not finish the job as contracted. Harrison provided Ofc. Munoz with a copy of the contract, as well as a copy with the form of payment check #4660. Chichelli abandoned the job and was later determined that he is not a licensed contractor.

**HARRISON'S CONTRACT QUOTE**

Your affiant analyzed the contract agreement between Chichelli and The Harrison's as provided to me by the Harrison's. On the top middle of the contract, it says in writing "Southern Storm & Security, Inc" along with "FL #SCC131151468" in writing underneath "Southern Storm & Security, Inc". Additionally, there are two phone numbers and two addresses as part of the heading. Your affiant noticed that there is also in writing "Sales Rep: Mike Chichelli" and a cell phone number of (954) 444-9318 with an email address of MChichelli.hss@gmail.com. The contract date is 1/14/2022, and it was signed on 2/22/2022 by Chris Harrison. A Sunbiz check by your affiant revealed that Southern Storm & Security, Inc is a business owned by Michael F. Chichelli Jr.

Your affiant further analyzed the middle section of page 1 of the contract where it states the following: 'Quote includes installed pricing of Alutech Storm Tex Motorized Roll-down Hurricane Fabric Screen Shutter (Screen Shutters are High Velocity and Miami Dade Code

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Approved), Screens will have Omega Tech Hurricane Screen Fabric by Twitchell (Black) Aluminum Tracks & Hood Boxes to be Powder Coated (Beige), Includes 5 Button Transmitter and Override (In case of Power Failure), Roll-down: All Boxes will be designed to install above Concrete Headers".

Your affiant then noticed that in the middle of page 2 of the contract it says the following: We propose hereby to furnish material and labor complete in accordance with able specifications, for sum of: $7,940, deposit $3,970, Balance $3,970.00 + City of West Palm Beach Permit".

The Harrison's confirmed to your affiant that the above work was not completed, and all that Chichelli did was to install some of the outside rails prior to abandoning the job.

**CHECK #4660 FROM HARRISON'S CHECKING ACCOUNT ENDING [redacted]**

On 2/23/2023, the Harrison's issued and mailed Chichelli check #4660 drawn on the Harrison's bank account with Truist Bank. The Harrison's confirmed with Chichelli that he received check #4660. Your affiant analyzed the front and back copy of check #4660 which was drawn from Truist Bank checking account ending [redacted]. Your affiant noticed that check #4660 was made payable to Southern Storm & Security, Inc in the amount of $3,970, and was endorsed in the back with a signature as well as "Southern Storm & Security" in writing just under the endorsement signature.

**NO PERMIT PULLED BY CHICHELLI FOR 10269 ORCHID RESERVE DR**

On 8/30/2023, your affiant received confirmation from city of West Palm Beach license and permit supervisor that there were no registered permits pulled at any time by Chichelli for the installation of electric shutters at The Harrison's 10269 Orchid Reserve Dr., West Palm beach, Florida 33412 home address.

The Harrison's are cooperating with this investigation.

**YOUR AFFIANT, DET. PALACIOS ID #1833 CONTACT WITH THE SILGE'S**

On 8/25/2023, your affiant met with the Silge's (Janet and Christian Silge) at their

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residence located at 10318 Orchid Reserve Dr., West Palm beach, Florida 33412. The Silge's provided me with a sworn victim statement in which they advised me of the following:

On 6/22/2022, The Silge's met with Chichelli at their residence to discuss the installation for patio electric fabric hurricane screens. The Silge's received a contract from Chichelli at that time, and later signed by Janet Silge.

On 6/28/2022, Janet signed a contract agreement with Chichelli for the installation of hurricane screens fabric. The total estimated was for $8,960 and a down payment deposit of $4,480 was paid by Janet via using his credit card.

Your affiant learned from The Silge's that installation was supposed to be in October-November of 2022, however this never happened. The Silge's have attempted several times to contact Chichelli for the completion of the work or to receive their money back, however with negative results. Chichelli stopped all communications with The Silge's.

Chichelli did not start the job he was contracted for and has since then ignored all phone calls from The Silge's. The Silge's provided Ofc. Munoz with a copy of the contract, as well as a copy with the form of payment.

**THE SILGE'S CONTRACT QUOTE**

Your affiant analyzed the contract agreement provided to me by The Silge's. On the top middle of the contract, it says in writing "Southern Storm & Security, Inc" along with "FL #SCC131151468" in writing underneath "Southern Storm & Security, Inc". Additionally, there are two phone numbers and two addresses as part of the heading. Your affiant noticed that there is also in writing "Sales Rep: Mike Chichelli" and a cell phone number of (954) 444-9318 with an email address of MChichelli.hss@gmail.com. The contract date is 6/22/2022, and it was signed on 6/28/2022 by Janet Silge. A Sunbiz check by your affiant revealed that Southern Storm & Security, Inc is a business owned by Michael F. Chichelli Jr.

Your affiant further analyzed the middle section of page 1 of the contract where it states the following: 'Quote includes installed pricing of Alutech Storm Tex Motorized Roll-down Hurricane Fabric Screen Shutter (Screen Shutters are High Velocity and Miami Dade Code Approved), Screens will have Omega Tech Hurricane Screen Fabric by Twitchell (Black)

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Aluminum Tracks & Hood Boxes to be Powder Coated (Beige), Includes 5 Button Transmitter and Override (In case of Power Failure), Roll-down: All Boxes will be designed to install above Concrete Headers".

Your affiant then noticed that in the middle of page 2 of the contract it says the following: We propose hereby to furnish material and labor complete in accordance with able specifications, for sum of: $8,960, deposit $4,480, Balance $4,480 and the "+ City of West Palm Beach Permit" verbiage is scratched off by a single line through that typed writing.

The Silge's confirmed to your affiant that the above work was not started or completed by Chichelli.

**CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FROM SILGE'S VISA CREDIT CARD ENDING [redacted]**

On 6/28/2022, The Silge's paid Chichelli via a Visa credit card payment of $4,480. Your affiant analyzed the credit card payment receipt as provided to me by The Silge's. Your affiant noticed that payment ID: 419SGJ1GF8476 was made payable to Michael Chichelli in the amount of $4,480. Additionally, the credit card receipt shows Michael Chichelli as the cashier for this payment.

**NO PERMIT PULLED BY CHICHELLI FOR 10318 ORCHID RESERVE DR**

On 7/27/2023, your affiant received confirmation from city of West Palm Beach license and permit supervisor that there were no registered permits pulled at any time by Chichelli for the installation of electric shutters at The Silge's 10318 Orchid Reserve Dr., West Palm beach, Florida 33412 home address.

The Silge's are cooperating with this investigation.

**YOUR AFFIANT, DET. PALACIOS ID #1833 CONTACT WITH THE SARANGA'S**

In March of 2023, your affiant contacted the Saranga's who reside at 10309 Orchid Reserve Dr., West Palm beach, Florida 33412. Doris Saranga provided me with the following information:

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On 1/14/2022, The Saranga's met with Chichelli at the Saranga's residence to discuss the installation for patio electric fabric hurricane screens. The Saranga's received a contract from Chichelli at that time, and later signed by Doris Saranga.

On 2/22/2022, Doris Saranga signed the contract trusting Chichelli as he represented himself to The Saranga's as both personally and on paper by contract as a licensed contractor.

Doris Saranga further told me that on 2/22/2022, she issued a payment to Chichelli for the shutters. The total estimate was for $7,940 and Doris provided a down payment of $3,970 in the form of a check.

Your affiant learned from Doris that installation was supposed to be done in the Spring of 2022 (March/April of 2022), however The Saranga's were told by Chichelli that the installation would have to be delayed and Chichelli changed the time for installation numerous times to October of 2022, and then November of 2022. In November of 2022, Chichelli installed two of the four side rails but did not come back to finish the job (complete installation), and later abandoned the job.

Since then, Chichelli has stopped all communications with The Saranga's, and he did not finish the job as contracted. The Saranga's provided Ofc. Munoz with a copy of the contract, as well as a copy with the form of payment check #4660. Chichelli abandoned the job contracted for by the Saranga's and was later determined that he is not a licensed contractor.

**SARANGA'S CONTRACT QUOTE**

Your affiant analyzed the contract agreement between Chichelli and The Saranga's as provided to me by the Saranga's. On the top middle of the contract, it says in writing "Southern Storm & Security, Inc" along with "FL #SCC131151468" in writing underneath "Southern Storm & Security, Inc". Additionally, there are two phone numbers and two addresses as part of the heading. Your affiant noticed that there is also in writing "Sales Rep: Mike Chichelli" and a cell phone number of (954) 444-9318 with an email address of MChichelli.hss@gmail.com. The contract date is 1/14/2022, and it was signed on 2/22/2022 by Doris Saranga. A Sunbiz check by your affiant revealed that Southern Storm & Security, Inc is a business owned by Michael F.

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Chichelli Jr.

Your affiant further analyzed the middle section of page 1 of the contract where it states the following: 'Quote includes installed pricing of Alutech Storm Tex Motorized Roll-down Hurricane Fabric Screen Shutter (Screen Shutters are High Velocity and Miami Dade Code Approved), Screens will have Omega Tech Hurricane Screen Fabric by Twitchell (Black) Aluminum Tracks & Hood Boxes to be Powder Coated (Beige), Includes 5 Button Transmitter and Override (In case of Power Failure), Roll-down: All Boxes will be designed to install above Concrete Headers".

Your affiant then noticed that in the middle of page 2 of the contract it says the following: We propose hereby to furnish material and labor complete in accordance with able specifications, for sum of: $7,940, deposit $3,970, Balance $3,970.00 + City of West Palm Beach Permit and Possible Phone Hub".

Doris Saranga's confirmed to your affiant that the above work was not completed, and all that Chichelli did was to install two of the four outside rails for the shutters prior to abandoning the job.

**CHECK #2372 FROM SARANGA'S CHECKING ACCOUNT ENDING [redacted]**

On 2/23/2023, the Saranga's issued to Chichelli check #2372 drawn on the Saranga's bank account with First Republic Bank. Your affiant analyzed the front and back copy of check #2372 which was drawn from First Republic Bank checking account ending [redacted] Your affiant noticed that check #2372 was made payable to Southern Storm & Security, Inc in the amount of $3,970, and was endorsed in the back with a signature as well as "Southern Storm & Security" in writing just under the endorsement signature.

**NO PERMIT PULLED BY CHICHELLI FOR 10309 ORCHID RESERVE DR**

On 7/27/2023, your affiant received confirmation from city of West Palm Beach license and permit supervisor that there were no registered permits pulled at any time by Chichelli for the installation of electric shutters at The Saranga's 10309 Orchid Reserve Dr., West Palm beach, Florida 33412 home address.

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The Saranga's are cooperating with this investigation.

**DEMAND LETTER AND MAIL RECEIPTS**

On 3/29/2023, your affiant received emailed correspondence from The Harrison's, The Silge's, and The Saranga's in reference to all victims mailing a demand letter to Chichelli for the money he received and never completing the work he was contracted to do. All provided your affiant with a copy of the demand letter, and copies of the post office receipts. Your affiant analyzed the copies of the demand letters as well as the return receipts provided by The Harrison's, The Silge's, and The Saranga's.

The Harrison's demand letter was completed and signed on March 27, 2023, and signed by both Chris and James Harrison.

The Silge's demand letter was completed and signed on March 28, 2023, and signed by both Janet and Christian Silge.

The Saranga's demand letter was completed and signed on March 29, 2023, and signed by both Doris and Myron Saranga.

**MEETING WITH CHICHELLI**

On 5/5/2023, WPBPD Det. Dion and I responded to 10404 St Germain Ct, Wellington, Florida 33449 which is Chichelli's residence. Chichelli open the front door, invited us into his home, and was cooperative.

Chichelli stated that the past few years have been hard with getting some of the materials for his jobs, as well as hiring the necessary help to do the jobs he contracted. Chichelli told us that he tried to be in communication with all the parties involved in this incident, however that he felt they had become unreasonable therefore he then stopped communicating.

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Det. Dion and I explained to Chichelli that it doesn't look good for his business or him that there are three different families within the Ibis community who are claiming he stole their money by taking/depositing into his bank account almost fifty percent of the overall contracted amount, not starting the job in some instances, stopping communications, and over a year since the contract was first agreed upon by all parties. Chichelli stated that he understood and that would repay the money already given to him by all parties.

I then contacted all parties involved and explained that Chichelli stated he wanted to make them whole of the money already given to Chichelli, and to contact me should there be any further issues. All parties agreed.

**SOUTHERN STORM & SECURITY, INC/FL #SCC131151468**

Your affiant contacted Richard Robinson who is an investigator for State of Florida Division of Regulation (Department of Business and Professional Regulation). Your affiant learned from Robinson that license FL #SCC131151468 belongs to Chichelli's father Michael Francis Chichelli (DOB: 7/16/1945). As per Robinson, Chichelli (son), is not a licensed contractor at the present time. Chichelli (son) once had a contracting license, however revoked by The State in 2010 due to similar incidents with other victims. Chichelli owes The State of Florida close to seventy thousand ($70,000) in unpaid fines because of his fraudulent dealings.

As of this writing Chichelli has not made any attempts to pay back any of the victims of this crime. Additionally, your affiant has also tried to contact Chichelli via text messages/phone calls with negative results.

Chichelli committed 3 counts of Grand Theft of Monies Received By Contractor, F.S. 489.126(2) (3F), when he received more than 10% of the contract price from victims Harrison's, Silge's, and Saranga's and then failed to obtain any building permits within 30 days required to begin work and failed to perform any work which was authorized by the building permits he failed to obtain. Chicelli committed 3 counts of Engage in Contracting Without Certification, F.S. 489.127(1)(f) and (2)(a), when he held himself out to the three sets of victims as a licensed contractor and he was not a licensed contractor.

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Based on the foregoing, your affiant believes that there exists sufficient probable cause to charge Michael Chichelli (W/M, DOB: 9/15/1969) with the following: three counts Grand Theft Of Monies Received by Contractor as per F.S. 489.126(2) (3F) and three counts Engage In Contracting Without Certification as per F.S. 489.127(1)(f) and (2)(a).

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