Arrest Report 18CF-1195

FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL - BCII
2900 APALACHEE PARKWAY
TALLAHASSEE, FL 3239

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11/30/2018 11:47:24AM	FHP99ARR764759	FHPL18OFF099387 / LWRC18CAD216877	J. TILLET

Originating Agency ORI	Occurrence Date Time Range	Jurisdiction	Clearance
FL0509000	12/ 1/2017 8:33:01AM - 11/30/2018 11:38:00 AM		

Location of Occurrence

Location Type	Location Description
BUSINESS	PALM BEACH TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

Street Number	Street	Apt/Lot/Bldg
4215	S MILITARY TARIL	

County	City	State	Zip
PALM BEACH	WEST PALM BEACH	FL	33463

Defendant

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix	Date Of Birth	Age	Race	Sex
LAURA	DOMINGA	MORALES		9/29/1996	21	WHITE	FEMALE

SSN	MNI #	Place of Birth	Height	Weight	Hair	Eyes
[redacted]		FF, GUATEMALA	503	105	BRO	BRO

DL or ID Number	ID State	ID Type	Address Type
M642524968490	FL	E	RESIDENCE

Street Number	Street	Apt/Lot/Bldg
1926	MANOR AVE	

County	City	State	Zip	Phone Number	Extension
PALM BEACH	WEST PALM BEACH	FL	33409		

Location Description:

Arrest

Arrest Date/Time	Arrest Location Type	Arrest Location Description
11/30/2018 11:38:29AM	OTHER	WEST PALM BEACH TROOP Q STATION

Street Number	Street	Apt/Lot/Bldg	County
9320	LAW ENFORCEMENT BUILDING		PALM BEACH

City	State	Zip
LAKE WORTH	FL	33467

Charge(s)

Counts	Charge	General Offense Code	Bond Amount
1	322.212.5a		No Bond

Charge Degree	Charge Level	Arrest Offense Code Description
T	FELONY	FRAUD-FALSE STATEMENT

Charge Description: USE FALSE INFO EXCEPT DOB TO GET DR LICENSE/ID

Probable Cause

Information was received from Trooper Nelson Tineo, with the Bureau of Criminal Investigations and Intelligence (B.C.I.I.) West Palm Beach Office, in regards to a possible driver license (DL) fraud. During his investigation case # 17-99-15356, Trooper Tineo discovered several individuals who had fraudulently obtained Florida Driver Licenses (FL DL).

On September 19, 2018, the B.C.I.I. Southern Section Commander, Captain Christopher Fletcher, fielded the complaint and forwarded the information to me. I received the complaint and proceeded to conduct a criminal investigation.

Information was received from Trooper Nelson Tineo, in regards to a possible DL fraud. Trooper Nelson

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Tineo conducted an investigation, where a Palm Beach County Tax Collector's Office employee, Norman Giddings, was generating Florida Driver Licenses through fraudulent means. During his investigation, Trooper Nelson Tineo discovered sixty-three (63) individuals, who had obtained Florida Driver Licenses through fraudulent means in violation of Florida State Statute Chapter 322, during the time period of November 2017 through January 2018. As the investigation progressed, Trooper Nelson Tineo was monitoring all of the transactions that were being processed by the Palm Beach Tax Office employee.

On December 1, 2017, Trooper Nelson Tineo was alerted that Laura Dominga Morales, obtained a Florida Driver License through fraudulent means at the Palm Beach County Tax Collector's Office located at 4215 South Military Trail, Lake Worth, Florida 33463. Mrs. Morales newly created record, M6 42-524-96-849-0, was forwarded to the B.C.I.I. Analyst Section for an analytical workup.

Through a Face Analysis Comparison Examination System (F.A.C.E.S.), no other potential matches were found for Laura Dominga Morales.

During a Driver and Vehicle Identification Database (D.A.V.I.D.) check, Laura Dominga Morales, On August 22, 2017, obtained a Florida Identification Card at the "P73" office, which is located on 301 North Olive Ave, 1st Floor, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401, in Palm Beach County. Mrs. Morales provided the following as verification and identification, a Proof of Residence Document indicating an address of 1926 Manor Ave, West Palm Beach, Florida 33409, that was also addressed to an Antelmo Morales Velasquez, INS I-766 For Employment Authorization Card Temporary Employment, and a Social Security Card, those documents were scanned on file at the time previously mentioned. Mrs. Morales' identification card was to expire on July 23, 2019.

On December 1, 2017, Laura Dominga Morales obtained a Florida's Driver's License through fraudulent means from Norman Giddings at 4215 South Military Trail, West Palm Beach, Florida 33463 in Palm Beach County.

The following is an approximated time line as there is no video for this date. The time line is that of the timestamp from the transaction, as well as the documents that were scanned into D.A.V.I.D., by Mr. Giddings. At approximately 8:36 AM, Mr, Giddings fills out the Record of Driving Examination Score Sheet and had Mrs. Morales sign it. Once signed, Mr. Giddings proceeds to scan the document onto the server. At approximately 8:39 AM, Mrs. Morales hands Mr, Giddings her Florida Driver's License along with her Employment Authorization Card and he scans it into the system. Mrs. Morales has her driver's license photo taken and at 8:45 AM, she was issued her Florida Driver's (M642-524-96-849-0).

After reviewing the Record of Driving Examination Score Sheet, Mr. Giddings marked that Mrs. Morales made no errors on her driving test, but her driving skills test was not logged onto the Master Road Test Log. The vehicle listed on the Record of Driving Examination Score Sheet was bearing a Florida Registration of 469QRK, registered to Alejandro Rodriguez from Lake Worth, Florida.

On December 1, 2017, the following documents were provided, a Driving Exam Score Sheet that was filled out in blue ink, and then also signed in blue ink with Mrs. Morales' signature, INS I-766 For Employment Authorization Card Temporary Employment, and Florida Identification Card.

On 11/30/2018, I, made contact with Mrs. Morales at the Florida Highway Patrol Station Troop Q West

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Palm Beach Station, for a sworn recorded interview, which is located at State Road 91 (Florida's Turnpike) Law Enforcement Building 9320, Lake Worth, Florida 33467.

Mrs. Morales was advised of her Miranda Rights Warning before any questioning. Mrs. Morales demonstrated knowledge of understanding of her Rights, verbally and by the signing the Department of Highway Safety Motor Vehicle (D.H.S.M.V.) Form.
Mrs. Morales' interview started out with her indicating how she obtained her Florida Driver's License. Mrs. Morales explained that she first went down to an unknown location in Miami-Dade and performed her written exam portion, however, did not not perform the driving test on that day. Mrs. Morales indicated that a few days later she went to the Palm Beach County Tax Collector's Office and that is where she performed her driving practical exam.
When asked what vehicle she conducted the exam in, she advised her boyfriend's uncle car. When asked how many errors she made during the driving exam she advised about one or two.
After Mrs. Morales advised the aforementioned, I, informed her that her transaction at the Palm Beach County Tax Collector's Office was on surveillance footage and that everything previously mentioned on her behalf was false. She then asked if she could still invoke her rights, to which I replied, yes.
At this time, Mrs. Morales was not willingly to speak with me without a lawyer present.
Based on the facts presented to me on this case, Laura Dominga Morales did not perform the driving exam, because the Record of Driving Examination form, that she signed, had a "PASS 0", indicating a Pass with no errors made. Mrs. Morales clearly advised before invoking her rights, she made one or two errors.
Mrs. Morales also advised she had taken the driving practical exam in her boyfriend's uncle vehicle, that she was unable to describe, which is also false. The vehicle listed on the Record of Driving Examination is registered to Alejandro Rodriguez.
Last, Mrs. Morales is not logged into the Master Log / Road Test Log, which is used to document the individuals who perform the driving practical exam daily. Furthermore, Mr. Giddings ability to administer any road tests were prohibited due to medical and / or health issues. Mr. Giddings continued issuing out FL DL's. It was later confirmed through surveillance video (prior investigations), that he never left his workstation to perform any road tests prior to processing the newly created DL records.
Finally, Mrs. Morales was lawfully placed into custody and arrested without incident. She was charged in violation of Florida State Statute 322.212(5)(a); Unauthorized possession of, and other unlawful acts in relation to, driver license or identification card, which is a felony of the third degree. Mrs. Morales was transported to the Palm Beach County Jail for processing and booking.

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Jail Booking Facility

Booking Date/Time	Booking County	Booking Facility	Booking Facility Phone Number
	PALM BEACH	PALM BEACH COUNTY CORRECTIONS	(561) 688-4400

Booking Facility Location	Booking Number
3228 GUN CLUB ROAD WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA 33406	

Booking Comments

Court

Court County	Court Location
PALM BEACH	205 NORTH DIXIE HIGHWAY WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33401

Court	Court Phone	Court Appearance Date / Time	Court Fine
MAIN COURTHOUSE	561-355-2996		

Comments

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The undersigned certifies and swears that he/she has just and reasonable grounds to believe that the above named Defendant, committed violation(s), of law, on the below date(s) and time(s), as listed in the probable cause associated with this report:

Reporting Officer

Officer Name	Officer Rank	Officer ID No
J. TILLET	TROOPER	3474

Officer Agency
FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL - BCII

Officer Signature JFT1166

Sworn and subscribed before me, the undersigned authority
This the 30 day of November, 2018
DEPUTY OF THE COURT, NOTARY OR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Manuel Rivera M. Rivera

Approving Supervisor

Officer Name	Officer Rank	Officer ID No	Officer Agency

Officer Signature

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PALM BEACH COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Florida State Statute Exemption Sheet

Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office – Arrests Only

	X	Florida State Statute	Description	Page Number(s)
L/E Exemptions	☐	119.071(2)(d)	Surveillance techniques, procedures and personnel; inventory of law enforcement resources, policies or plans pertaining to mobilization deployment or tactical operations.	
	☐	943.053, 943.0525	NCIC/FCIC/FBI and in-state FDLE/DOC.	
	☐	119.071(4)(c)	Undercover personnel.	
	☐	119.071(2)(f)	Confidential informants (CIs).	
	☐	119.071(2)(e)	Confession.	
Public Info. Exemptions	☐	985.04(1)	Juvenile offender records.	
	☐	119.071(h)(i)	Assets of a crime victim.	
	☐	395.3025(7)(a), 456.057(7)(a)	Medical information.	
	☐	394.4615(7)	Mental health information.	
	☐	119.071(4)(d)(2)(a)	Home address, telephone, Social Security number, date of birth, or photos of active/former LE personnel, spouses, and children.	
Florida Rules of Judicial Administration 2.420 (Rule of 23)	☒	(iii) 119.0714(1)(i)-(j), (2)(a)-(e)	Social Security, bank account, charge, debit, and credit card numbers.	2
	☐	(viii) 394.4615(7)	Clinical records under the Baker Act.	
	☐	(xii) 741.30(3)(b)	The victim's address in a domestic violence action on petitioner's request.	
	☐	(xiii) 119.071(2)(h), 119.0714(1)(h)	Protected information regarding victims of child abuse or sexual offenses.	
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Other	☐		Other:	
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Booking Number: 2018039799	**Date:** 12/01/2018
	Specialist Name/ID: AM/31562