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DETECTIVE BUREAU
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CASE # : 12-3-IV
LEAD #:

CONTACT REPORT

Case Identification (Name/Offense):	Michael Corso/38 Studios		
Person Interviewed:	John Sullivan		
Address:	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Place Interviewed:	Phone		
Was Person Previously Interviewed?	N	Formal Statement to be Taken?	N
Juvenile or Adult?	Adult	Parent or Guardian Present if Juvenile?	
Place of Employment:	Retired		

Assignment:

Detective:	Cpl. Buonaiuto	Supervisor:	
Date:	9/30/2014	Time:	10:00am

Report:

Narrative - On Tuesday, September 30, 2014, I received a phone call from John Sullivan, of [REDACTED] Mr. Sullivan is a retired hospital administrator.

Mr. Sullivan explained that he had purchased a used computer sometime in October of 2013 during an estate sale held at Curt Schilling's Medfield, Massachusetts residence. Sullivan went to the estate sale after seeing an advertisement for the sale and thought it would be interesting to "see the way the other side lives". Sullivan stated that the sale was managed by Consign Works, Inc., of Worcester, Massachusetts.

Sullivan had no intention of purchasing anything when he decided to go to the sale, but once he was there he became interested in a used computer laptop that was grouped in an area where there were a number of electronic devices. Mr. Sullivan described the computer laptop as a Clevo model that was green in color. Sullivan stated that the laptop had a price displayed on it that he was not willing to pay, so he made an offer of \$100.00 to one of the Consign Works employees working at the estate sale. According to Sullivan, the individual walked away to discuss his offer with another Consign Works employee, then returned and accepted his offer. Sullivan paid for the laptop using a credit card.

Sullivan stated that when he got home he could not immediately power up the laptop, but with a little "tinkering" he was able to power it up. Soon after powering up the laptop, he discovered that it was password protected and useless to him in that condition. In an effort to obtain the password from the Schillings so he could reset the password and use the laptop, he sent a letter to the Schilling's Medfield home explaining that he had purchased the computer at the estate sale and was seeking assistance in resetting the laptop password. Several days after sending the letter, Sullivan received a phone call from a woman that he believes worked for Consign Works, Inc. accusing him of stealing the laptop. After explained that he had purchased the laptop at the estate sale and had paid Consign Works, Inc. with a credit card, the women demanded that he return it immediately. Sullivan stated that because of the harsh way in which the women spoke to him and the accusations she had made, he did not return the laptop as requested.

Sullivan then began to receive letters from Attorney Hayes from Pennsylvania, who is Curt Schilling's personal attorney. Within the letters Attorney Hayes declared the sale of the computer null and void and demanded its return. Attorney Hayes made reference to Sullivan risking civil and criminal action being taken against him, as well as action that would require he pay for any and all legal fees that the Schillings incurred in their quest to get the laptop returned.

Sullivan hired his own attorney to protect his interest, who contacted Attorney Hayes. Sullivan would not disclose the identity of his attorney, but stated that his attorney suggested that he refrain from any attempt to gain access to files in the laptop until he was able to successfully resolve the issue with Schillings attorney. In June 2014, Sullivan's attorney contacted him and advised him that he was not having any success negotiating a resolution with Attorney Hayes regarding the laptop.

Sullivan stated that he paid his attorney approximately \$1,500.00 for his services. In an effort to recoup the fees he paid his attorney, he filed a small claim in Norfolk County Court against the Schillings.

This past week, Sullivan made an agreement with Attorney McGee, who is the attorney representing Consign Works, Inc. to return the computer to them for a buy back fee of \$1,000.00. Sullivan personal delivered the laptop to the Worcester office of Consign Works, Inc. and handed the laptop to Attorney McGee. Sullivan stated that he signed an agreement when he turned over the laptop agreeing that he would not pursue further civil suits against the Schillings and in turn, the Schillings would not pursue further suits against Sullivan.

Sullivan stated that the Schillings and their attorney's went to such lengths to regain possession of the laptop that he thought there may be information on the laptop that may be incriminating against them concerning the 38 Studios investigation, so he copied the laptop's hard drive before giving to Attorney McGee. Sullivan stated that he did not view anything on the laptop in particular that he thought may be related to 38 Studios.

Sullivan stated that he has the copy to the hard drive at his home and he has not done anything with it since making the copy.

Sullivan stated that he was so upset about the way he was treated by the Schillings and their attorneys that he contacted the Providence Journal and told a reporter of his experience. Sullivan stated that he did not disclose to the reporter that he made a copy of the laptop's hard drive.

Detective's
Signature

Supervisor's Signature