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Kidnapping, Distribution, and Device Fraud... see what happened this past week in the Eastern District of Louisiana

CASE SPOTLIGHT

United States v. Daniel Callihan 25-cr-0001

What's the Basis?: The Factual Basis states that in June 2024, Daniel Callihan caused the death of a mother by stabbing her more than fifty times while both were in the victim's home in Louisiana. Callihan then kidnapped two of the mother's children and drove them to Mississippi. He later returned to Louisiana to pick up a co-conspirator, traveled back to Mississippi, and committed sexual battery against one of the children. Callihan then smothered one of the children to death and left both children in a pit, where they were later found by authorities.

What's the Violation?: Mr. Callihan pled guilty to ***Kidnapping Resulting in Death and Transportation of a Minor with Intent to Engage in Sexual Activity***, in violation of **18 U.S.C. §§ 1201(a)(1) and 2423(a)**.

What's the Punishment?: The Honorable Judge Lance M. Africk sentenced Mr. Callihan to **CONSECUTIVE LIFE SENTENCES**. The Court ordered that these life sentences be served consecutively to the four life sentences he previously received in Mississippi and Louisiana, all related to these events. Callihan was also ordered to pay \$260,000 in restitution to the victim's family.

This Week's Other Matters

U.S. V. ARVIE, 24-CR-205

Charge: Conspiracy to Commit Mail Fraud
(18 U.S.C. § 1349)

Sentence: **52 months imprisonment** and 3 years of supervised release.

Judge: Honorable Sarah S. Vance

U.S. V. DAVIS, 14-CR-76

Violation of Special Condition of Supervised Release: *Failing to reside in a residential reentry center.*

Sentence: **TIME SERVED.**

Judge: Honorable Sarah S. Vance

U.S. V. DAVIS, 99-CR-070

Violation of Mandatory Condition of Supervised Release: Committing another crime.

Sentence: **10 months of imprisonment** and 36 months of supervise release.

Judge: Honorable Sarah S. Vance

WHAT'S THAT STATUTE?

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DETAILS ON THE VIOLATIONS INCLUDED IN
THIS WEEKS' EDITION

- [8 U.S.C. § 1326](#)
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U.S. V. SANTOS, 25-CR-125

Charge: Reentry of Previously Removed Alien
(8 U.S.C. § 1326(a))

Sentence: 2 years of imprisonment and 1 year of supervised release.

Judge: Honorable Lance M. Africk

U.S. V. HOWARD, 24-CR-118

Charge: Possession of a Firearm in Furtherance of a Drug Trafficking Crime
(18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1)(A)(i))

Sentence: 60 months of imprisonment and 3 years of supervised release.

Judge: Honorable Wendy B. Vitter

U.S. V. DOMINICK, 24-CR-044

Charge: Possession with Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances; Possession of a Firearm in Furtherance of a Drug Trafficking Crime; Felon in Possession of a Firearm

(21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(B); 841(b)(1)(D); 18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1)(A)(i); 922(g)(1) and 924(a)(8))

Sentence: 292 months of imprisonment (232 months as to the controlled substance charges and 60 months as to the firearm charges - to be served consecutively). 5 years of supervised release.

Judge: Honorable Lance M. Africk

U.S. V. KOLZSVARI, 25-CR-022

Charge: Access Device Fraud

(12 U.S.C. § 1029(a)(4); 18 U.S.C. § 2)

Sentence: TIME SERVED.

Judge: Honorable Jay C. Zainey

U.S. V. TUMBLIN, 23-CR-217

Distribution of Methamphetamine (3 counts) and Fentanyl (1 count)

(21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(B); 841(b)(1)(D); 18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1)(A)(i); 922(g)(1) and 924(a)(8))

Sentence: 175 months (as to each count) and 5 years of supervised release. Sentences to be served concurrently.

Judge: Jane Triche Milazzo

U.S. V. GABRIEL, 24-CR-053

Charge: Aggravated Identity Theft; False Statement to a Firearms Dealer; False Statement to a Federal Agency

(18 U.S.C. §§ 922(a)(6); 924(a)(2); 1001; and 1028A(a)(1))

Sentence: 27 months of imprisonment (24 months as to the theft charge, and three months as to the false statement charges - ran consecutively) and 3 years of supervised release. Defendant also ordered to pay **\$174,708.00 in restitution.**

Judge: Honorable Jane Triche Milazzo

Did You Know?

Today's Case Spotlight involves an individual that has been prosecuted in three different tribunals (the State of Louisiana, the State of Mississippi, and the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana) for the same actions. The "Dual-Sovereignty" doctrine allows this type of prosecution. As explained in the United States Supreme Court Case of *Gamble v. United States*, 587 U.S. 678, the doctrine is supported by the Constitution's "Double Jeopardy" clause. There, it states that **individuals are protected from being charged (placed in jeopardy) for the same offense more than once.** An **offense**, however, **is defined by a law, not by conduct or actions.** Each **law is defined by separate sovereigns.** Accordingly, the protection afforded by **the Double Jeopardy clause does not relate to separate offenses, even if derived from the same course of actions.** The prosecution of Mr. Callihan's actions in three separate sovereigns (Louisiana, Mississippi, and the EDLA) are therefore not violative of his constitutional rights. **These prosecutions have resulted in Mr. Callihan receiving a total of six consecutive life sentences.**

Hebrews 13:3 - Remember the prisoners as if chained with them - those who are mistreated - since you yourselves are in the body also.

Heed His word and pray for the detained,
incarcerated, and less fortunate among us.

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