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## Introduction

The SAR Activity Review-Trends, Tips and Issues is the product of continuing dialogue and close collaboration among the nation's financial institutions, law enforcement officials, and regulatory agencies to provide meaningful information about the preparation, use, and value of suspicious activity reports (SARs) filed by financial institutions.

This publication reflects the recognition of the relevant government agencies and the nation's financial institutions of the desirability of a continuing exchange of information between the private and public sectors to improve the SAR System. These financial institutions and government agencies include, among others, the American Bankers Association; Independent Community Bankers of America; American Institute of Certified Public Accountants; Securities Industry Association; Non-Bank Funds Transmitters Group; Federal Reserve Board; Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Office of Thrift Supervision; National Credit Union Administration; Federal Bureau of Investigation; U.S. Department of Justice's Criminal Division and Asset Forfeiture \& Money Laundering Section; U.S. Department of Treasury's Office of Enforcement; U.S. Customs Service; U.S. Secret Service; Internal Revenue Service; and Financial Crimes Enforcement Network.

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| e. | Tips on SAR Form Preparation and Filing | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
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B. How do you use this report?
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## Section 1

## Suspicious Activity Report Statistics ${ }^{1}$ April 1, 1996 - May 31, 2002

The statistics on the following pages relate to SARs filed since April 1996 by depository institutions (i.e., banks, thrifts, savings and loans, and credit unions). A small part of the total volume relates to reports filed by affiliates of depository institutions or, in some cases, filed voluntarily by brokers and dealers in securities who are not affiliated with banks; money services businesses; or gaming businesses that, at this time, are not yet required under the Bank Secrecy Act (BSA) to file SARs.

Note: SAR statistical data is continuously updated as additional reports are filed and processed. For this reason, there may be minor discrepancies between the statistical figures contained in the various portions of this report or in previous reports.

## Exhibit 1

SAR Filings by Year and Month

|  | Number of Filings |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{1 9 9 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 2}$ |
| January | - | 6,123 | 6,832 | 8,621 | 13,399 | 13,767 | 19,424 |
| February | - | 5,519 | 7,055 | 9,949 | 13,634 | 14,660 | 17,881 |
| March | - | 6,850 | 8,938 | 11,492 | 15,154 | 16,084 | 25,037 |
| April | 2,170 | 7,184 | 8,057 | 9,478 | 11,499 | 15,357 | 19,249 |
| May | 4,404 | 6,754 | 7,409 | 10,400 | 13,674 | 16,335 | 26,562 |
| June | 6,070 | 6,696 | 8,737 | 10,956 | 13,963 | 14,387 |  |
| July | 6,907 | 7,175 | 8,757 | 8,518 | 12,611 | 16,823 |  |
| August | 6,567 | 6,332 | 8,532 | 10,484 | 14,111 | 19,203 |  |
| September | 6,938 | 7,561 | 7,577 | 8,471 | 13,321 | 14,283 |  |
| October | 7,474 | 7,439 | 8,165 | 9,843 | 13,148 | 20,571 |  |
| November | 5,029 | 5,960 | 7,848 | 11,243 | 14,437 | 20,444 |  |
| December | 6,510 | 7,604 | 8,614 | 11,050 | 13,769 | 21,624 |  |
| Subtotal | $\mathbf{5 2 , 0 6 9}$ | $\mathbf{8 1 , 1 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{9 6 , 5 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 0 , 5 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 2 , 7 2 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 3 , 5 3 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 8 , 1 5 3}$ |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Filings | $\mathbf{8 2 4 , 7 0 3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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## Exhibit 2

SAR Filings by States and Territories
-For the Period April 1, 1996 through May 31, 2002-

| State/Territory | $\mathbf{1 9 9 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 2}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Alabama | 362 | 445 | 406 | 528 | 689 | 1,156 | 492 |
| Alaska | 65 | 59 | 131 | 157 | 353 | 287 | 161 |
| American Samoa | 2 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 10 | 2 | 4 |
| Arizona | 1,905 | 3,104 | 2,392 | 2,505 | 3,894 | 4,350 | 4,813 |
| Arkansas | 206 | 335 | 297 | 430 | 560 | 694 | 417 |
| California | 12,631 | 18,143 | 22,836 | 24,995 | 43,304 | 54,467 | 25,448 |
| Colorado | 881 | 1,069 | 1,475 | 1,679 | 2,146 | 3,526 | 2,019 |
| Connecticut | 422 | 785 | 937 | 4,449 | 4,873 | 4,445 | 2,206 |
| Delaware | 1,136 | 1,429 | 1,657 | 2,004 | 3,670 | 4,360 | 2,574 |
| District of Columbia | 174 | 233 | 274 | 285 | 467 | 594 | 315 |
| Federated States of Micronesia | 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| Florida | 4,195 | 6,560 | 6,988 | 7,913 | 9,918 | 12,434 | 7,169 |
| Georgia | 907 | 1,492 | 1,656 | 2,205 | 3,141 | 4,112 | 2,270 |
| Guam | 27 | 80 | 52 | 84 | 73 | 90 | 53 |
| Hawaii | 406 | 536 | 553 | 550 | 731 | 982 | 455 |
| Idaho | 109 | 150 | 120 | 186 | 402 | 401 | 122 |
| Illinois | 1,601 | 2,763 | 2,863 | 3,793 | 4,790 | 5,727 | 3,549 |
| Indiana | 596 | 764 | 955 | 1,163 | 1,349 | 1,638 | 1,007 |
| Iowa | 267 | 363 | 325 | 427 | 493 | 838 | 410 |
| Kansas | 275 | 287 | 362 | 555 | 520 | 838 | 603 |
| Kentucky | 271 | 388 | 424 | 751 | 853 | 1,334 | 665 |
| Louisiana | 500 | 594 | 666 | 902 | 1,943 | 2,312 | 1,303 |
| Maine | 120 | 186 | 189 | 213 | 241 | 325 | 177 |
| Marshall Islands | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Maryland | 652 | 937 | 1,182 | 1,537 | 2,069 | 2,249 | 1,377 |
| Massachusetts | 885 | 1,402 | 1,828 | 2,477 | 2,747 | 3,220 | 2,300 |
| Michigan | 1,175 | 1,719 | 1,848 | 2,746 | 3,765 | 4,880 | 2,089 |
| Minnesota | 1,000 | 2,266 | 2,208 | 2,511 | 2,893 | 3,379 | 1,855 |
| Mississippi | 160 | 251 | 222 | 283 | 521 | 693 | 292 |
| Missouri | 638 | 966 | 1,139 | 1,215 | 1,590 | 2,472 | 1,166 |
| Montana | 71 | 107 | 100 | 152 | 220 | 284 | 95 |
| Nebraska | 194 | 249 | 315 | 371 | 615 | 835 | 516 |
| Nevada | 695 | 1,486 | 1,966 | 2,063 | 3,074 | 3,221 | 1,441 |
| New Hampshire | 273 | 506 | 416 | 573 | 448 | 1,018 | 527 |
| New Jersey | 949 | 1,530 | 2,377 | 3,349 | 4,197 | 5,694 | 3,227 |

Exhibit 2 (continued)
SAR Filings by States and Territories
-For the Period April 1, 1996 through May 31, 2002-

| State/Territory | $\mathbf{1 9 9 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 2}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| New Mexico | 237 | 237 | 286 | 307 | 403 | 502 | 319 |
| New York | 5,511 | 9,661 | 13,297 | 17,748 | 19,138 | 23,737 | 12,672 |
| North Carolina | 939 | 1,621 | 2,063 | 2,366 | 2,978 | 3,238 | 1,578 |
| North Dakota | 43 | 215 | 212 | 122 | 224 | 224 | 99 |
| Northern Mariana Islands | 22 | 5 | 13 | 33 | 57 | 41 | 28 |
| Ohio | 975 | 1,722 | 2,198 | 2,295 | 3,319 | 4,536 | 2,287 |
| Oklahoma | 395 | 497 | 503 | 698 | 813 | 897 | 522 |
| Oregon | 602 | 1,117 | 1,196 | 1,807 | 2,471 | 2,813 | 815 |
| Overseas | 12 | 39 | 7 | 2 | 22 | 20 | 10 |
| Palau | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| Pennsylvania | 1,510 | 2,481 | 2,409 | 3,571 | 3,535 | 4,498 | 2,969 |
| Puerto Rico | 188 | 562 | 440 | 316 | 1,063 | 1,237 | 794 |
| Rhode Island | 166 | 290 | 283 | 503 | 495 | 530 | 394 |
| South Carolina | 312 | 563 | 627 | 668 | 733 | 963 | 569 |
| South Dakota | 326 | 430 | 547 | 675 | 267 | 478 | 1,543 |
| Tennessee | 569 | 799 | 890 | 993 | 1,555 | 2,036 | 868 |
| Texas | 4,001 | 4,913 | 6,158 | 7,605 | 10,119 | 13,426 | 6,717 |
| U.S. Virgin Islands | 3 | 9 | 12 | 17 | 32 | 58 | 22 |
| Unknown/Blank | 318 | 205 | 28 | 26 | 19 | 34 | 79 |
| Utah | 387 | 882 | 1,068 | 1,361 | 2,219 | 2,673 | 1,277 |
| Vermont | 57 | 88 | 61 | 58 | 69 | 98 | 58 |
| Virginia | 634 | 1,208 | 1,501 | 1,535 | 2,001 | 3,014 | 1,365 |
| Washington | 771 | 1,733 | 2,176 | 3,124 | 3,362 | 3,989 | 1,303 |
| West Virginia | 114 | 154 | 161 | 154 | 182 | 173 | 107 |
| Wisconsin | 372 | 551 | 649 | 755 | 1,006 | 1,260 | 570 |
| Wyoming | 27 | 43 | 54 | 40 | 67 | 201 | 69 |

## Exhibit 3

Frequency Distribution of SAR Filings Ranked by States and Territories in Descending Order
—For the Period April 1, 1996 through May 31, 2002-

| Rank | State/Territory | Filings <br> (Overall) | Percentage ${ }^{2}$ <br> (Overall) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | California | 201,824 | 24.50\% |
| 2 | New York | 101,764 | 12.35\% |
| 3 | Florida | 55,177 | 6.70\% |
| 4 | Texas | 52,939 | 6.43\% |
| 5 | Illinois | 25,086 | 3.05\% |
| 6 | Arizona | 22,963 | 2.79\% |
| 7 | New Jersey | 21,323 | 2.59\% |
| 8 | Pennsylvania | 20,973 | 2.55\% |
| 9 | Michigan | 18,222 | 2.21\% |
| 10 | Connecticut | 18,117 | 2.20\% |
| 11 | Ohio | 17,332 | 2.10\% |
| 12 | Delaware | 16,830 | 2.00\% |
| 13 | Washington | 16,458 | 2.00\% |
| 14 | Minnesota | 16,058 | 2.00\% |
| 15 | Georgia | 15,783 | 1.95\% |
| 16 | Massachusetts | 14,859 | 1.80\% |
| 17 | North Carolina | 14,783 | 1.79\% |
| 18 | Nevada | 13,946 | 1.69\% |
| 19 | Colorado | 12,795 | 1.55\% |
| 20 | Virginia | 11,258 | 1.37\% |
| 21 | Oregon | 10,821 | 1.31\% |
| 22 | Maryland | 10,003 | 1.21\% |
| 23 | Utah | 9,867 | 1.20\% |
| 24 | Missouri | 9,186 | 1.12\% |
| 25 | Louisiana | 8,220 | 1.00\% |
| 26 | Tennessee | 7,710 | Less than 1\% |
| 27 | Indiana | 7,472 | Less than $1 \%$ |
| 28 | W isconsin | 5,163 | Less than $1 \%$ |
| 29 | Kentucky | 4,686 | Less than 1\% |
| 30 | Puerto Rico | 4,600 | Less than 1\% |
| 31 | South Carolina | 4,435 | Less than $1 \%$ |
| 32 | Oklahoma | 4,325 | Less than 1\% |
| 33 | South Dakota | 4,266 | Less than 1\% |
| 34 | Hawaii | 4,213 | Less than 1\% |

## Exhibit 3 (continued) Frequency Distribution of SAR Filings Ranked by States and Territories in Descending Order —For the Period April 1, 1996 through May 31, 2002-

| Rank | State/Territory | Filings <br> (Overall) | Percentage ${ }^{2}$ <br> (Overall) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 35 | Alabama | 4,078 | Less than 1\% |
| 36 | New Hampshire | 3,761 | Less than 1\% |
| 37 | Kansas | 3,440 | Less than 1\% |
| 38 | Iowa | 3,123 | Less than 1\% |
| 39 | Nebraska | 3,095 | Less than 1\% |
| 40 | Arkansas | 2,939 | Less than 1\% |
| 41 | Rhode Island | 2,661 | Less than 1\% |
| 42 | Mississippi | 2,422 | Less than 1\% |
| 43 | District of Columbia | 2,342 | Less than 1\% |
| 44 | New Mexico | 2,291 | Less than 1\% |
| 45 | Idaho | 1,490 | Less than 1\% |
| 46 | Maine | 1,451 | Less than 1\% |
| 47 | Alaska | 1,213 | Less than 1\% |
| 48 | North Dakota | 1,139 | Less than 1\% |
| 49 | West Virginia | 1,045 | Less than 1\% |
| 50 | Montana | 1,029 | Less than 1\% |
| 51 | Blank/Unknown | 709 | Less than 1\% |
| 52 | Wyoming | 501 | Less than $1 \%$ |
| 53 | Vermont | 489 | Less than 1\% |
| 54 | Guam | 459 | Less than 1\% |
| 55 | Northern Mariana Islands | 199 | Less than 1\% |
| 56 | U.S. Virgin Islands | 153 | Less than 1\% |
| 57 | Overseas | 112 | Less than 1\% |
| 58 | American Samoa | 27 | Less than 1\% |
| 59 | Federated States of Micronesia | 12 | Less than 1\% |
| 60 | Marshall Is lands | 3 | Less than 1\% |
| 61 | Palau | 3 | Less than $1 \%$ |

[^1]> Exhibit 4
> Frequency Distribution of SAR Filings by Characterization of Suspicious Activity in Descending Order -For the Period April 1, 1996 through May 31, 2002-

| Rank | Violation Type | Filings <br> (Overall) | Percentage <br> (Overall) |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | BSA/Structuring/Money Laundering | 425,206 | $47.6 \%$ |
| 2 | Check Fraud | 110,421 | $12.4 \%$ |
| 3 | Other | 70,871 | $7.9 \%$ |
| 4 | Counterfeit Check | 44,228 | $4.95 \%$ |
| 5 | Credit Card Fraud | 38,073 | $4.26 \%$ |
| 6 | Unknown/Blank | 36,151 | $4.0 \%$ |
| 7 | Defalcation Embezzlement | 33,919 | $3.8 \%$ |
| 8 | Check Kiting | 32,486 | $3.6 \%$ |
| 9 | Mortgage Loan Fraud | 18,662 | $2.1 \%$ |
| 10 | Consumer Loan Fraud | 17,468 | $1.96 \%$ |
| 11 | False Statement | 16,165 | $1.8 \%$ |
| 12 | Mysterious Disappearance | 12,067 | $1.35 \%$ |
| 13 | Misuse of Position or Self Dealing | 11,786 | $1.3 \%$ |
| 14 | Commercial Loan Fraud | 6,926 | Less than $1 \%$ |
| 16 | Wire Transfer Fraud | 5,806 | Less than $1 \%$ |
| 15 | Debit Card Fraud | 5,298 | Less than $1 \%$ |
| 17 | Counterfeit Credit/Debit Card | 3,630 | Less than $1 \%$ |
| 18 | Counterfeit Instrument (Other) | 2,661 | Less than $1 \%$ |
| 19 | Bribery/Gratuity | 888 | Less than $1 \%$ |
| 20 | Computer Intrusion ${ }^{4}$ | 656 | Less than $1 \%$ |

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## Exhibit 5

Frequency Distribution of SAR Filings by Characterization of Suspicious Activity -For the Period April 1, 1996 through May 31, 2002-

| Violation | $\mathbf{1 9 9 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 2}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| BSA/Structuring/Money <br> Laundering | 21,655 | 35,625 | 47,223 | 60,983 | 90,606 | 108,925 | 60,189 |
| Bribery/Gratuity | 94 | 109 | 92 | 101 | 150 | 201 | 141 |
| Check Fraud | 9,078 | 13,245 | 13,767 | 16,232 | 19,637 | 26,012 | 12,450 |
| Check Kiting | 2,902 | 4,294 | 4,032 | 4,058 | 6,163 | 7,350 | 3,687 |
| Commercial Loan Fraud | 583 | 960 | 905 | 1,080 | 1,320 | 1,348 | 730 |
| Computer Intrusion ${ }^{5}$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 65 | 419 | 172 |
| Consumer Loan Fraud | 1,190 | 2,048 | 2,183 | 2,548 | 3,432 | 4,143 | 1,924 |
| Counterfeit Check | 2,405 | 4,226 | 5,897 | 7,392 | 9,033 | 10,139 | 5,136 |
| Counterfeit Credit/Debit Card | 391 | 387 | 182 | 351 | 664 | 1,100 | 555 |
| Counterfeit Instrument (Other) | 219 | 294 | 263 | 3,20 | 474 | 769 | 322 |
| Credit Card Fraud | 3,340 | 5,075 | 4,377 | 4,936 | 6,275 | 8,393 | 5,677 |
| Debit Card Fraud | 261 | 612 | 565 | 721 | 1,210 | 1,437 | 492 |
| Defalcation/Embezzlement | 3,286 | 5,284 | 5,252 | 5,178 | 6,117 | 6,182 | 2,620 |
| False Statement | 1,880 | 2,200 | 1,970 | 2,376 | 3,051 | 3,232 | 1,456 |
| Misuse of Position or Self | 952 | 1,532 | 1,640 | 2,064 | 2,186 | 2,325 | 1,087 |
| Dealing | 1,318 | 1,720 | 2,269 | 2,934 | 3,515 | 4,696 | 2,210 |
| Mortgage Loan Fraud | 1,216 | 1,765 | 1,855 | 1,854 | 2,225 | 2,179 | 973 |
| Mysterious Disappearance | 302 | 509 | 593 | 771 | 972 | 1,527 | 1,132 |
| Wire Transfer Fraud | 4,836 | 6,675 | 8,583 | 8,739 | 11,148 | 18,318 | 12,572 |
| Other | 1,539 | 2,317 | 2,691 | 6,961 | 6,971 | 11,908 | 3,764 |
| Unknown/Blank |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

For statistical information on the Characterization of Suspicious Activity by States/Territories by Year see Appendix 1.

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## Exhibit 6

SAR Filings by Primary Federal Regulator ${ }^{6}$
-For the Period April 1, 1996 through May 31, 2002-

| Regulator | Total Filings by Year |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{1 9 9 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 2}$ |
| Federal Reserve Board | 5,875 | 9,581 | 10,800 | 14,656 | 18,269 | 23,198 | 11,162 |
| Federal Deposit Insurance <br> Corporation | 10,339 | 14,909 | 14,735 | 15,883 | 20,089 | 28,750 | 16,018 |
| Office of the Comptroller <br> of the Currency | 26,298 | 41,425 | 51,556 | 64,946 | 93,447 | 113,263 | 54,172 |
| Office of Thrift Supervision | 6,014 | 9,122 | 11,375 | 12,316 | 15,980 | 19,560 | 10,386 |
| National Credit Union <br> Administration | 2,141 | 2,631 | 2,846 | 3,041 | 3,674 | 5,275 | 2,961 |
| Unspecified | 1,402 | 3,529 | 5,209 | 9,663 | 11,257 | 13,492 | 5,798 |

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## Exhibit 7

Direct Referrals of SARs by Financial Institutions to
Law Enforcement ${ }^{7}$ and Regulatory Agencies
-For the Period April l, 1996 through May 31, 2002-
Exhibit 7 shows the number of times financial institutions that file SARs have also directly referred certain situations to law enforcement officials. The "direct referrals" in this edition of the SAR Activity Review have been tabulated by recording a count for each agency to which a direct referral was made. This method is appropriate since a situation giving rise to a single SAR can be referred to more than one agency. Such a tabulation accurately reflects the number of times particular law enforcement agencies received SAR information directly from filing institutions.

| Agencies | $\mathbf{1 9 9 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 2}$ | Total |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Federal Law Enforcement |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Federal Bureau of Investigation | 2,355 | 3,833 | 4,174 | 4,779 | 4,493 | 7,733 | 3,051 | 30,418 |
| Internal Revenue Service | 1,138 | 2,687 | 2,183 | 2,118 | 1,730 | 2,259 | 1,021 | 13,136 |
| U.S. Secret Service | 894 | 1,609 | 1,223 | 1,060 | 1,401 | 2,654 | 1,101 | 9,942 |
| Postal Inspection Service | 340 | 610 | 636 | 644 | 1,012 | 1,601 | 679 | 5,522 |
| U.S. Attorney's Office | 185 | 132 | 84 | 106 | 101 | 223 | 362 | 1,193 |
| U.S. Customs Service | 52 | 62 | 101 | 83 | 97 | 239 | 176 | 810 |
| High Intensity Financial Crime Area | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 326 | 174 | 500 |
| Department of the Treasury | 55 | 56 | 30 | 43 | 23 | 64 | 17 | 288 |
| Drug Enforcement Administration | 11 | 18 | 23 | 8 | 123 | 79 | 46 | 308 |
| Department of Justice | 9 | 4 | 10 | 8 | 10 | 77 | 21 | 139 |
| Office of Foreign Assets Control | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 66 | 25 | 102 |
| Social Security Administration (IG) | 4 | 9 | 11 | 8 | 9 | 31 | 40 | 112 |
| Sub-Total | 5,044 | 9,022 | 8,478 | 8,857 | 9,004 | 15,352 | 6,713 | 62,470 |
| Other Federal Law Enforcement | 42 | 85 | 101 | 103 | 108 | 228 | 789 | 1,456 |
| Total Federal Law Enforcement | $\mathbf{5 , 0 8 6}$ | $\mathbf{9 , 1 0 7}$ | $\mathbf{8 , 5 7 9}$ | $\mathbf{8 , 9 6 0}$ | $\mathbf{9 , 1 1 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 , 5 8 0}$ | $\mathbf{7 , 5 0 2}$ | $\mathbf{6 3 , 9 2 6}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Regulatory |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Federal Deposit Insurance |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Corporation | 24 | 26 | 25 | 22 | 42 | 153 | 117 | 409 |
| Federal Reserve Board | 29 | 27 | 13 | 15 | 263 | 30 | 423 |  |
| Office of the Comptroller <br> of the Currency | 21 | 19 | 24 | 37 | 102 | 55 | 275 |  |

Exhibit 7 (continued)
Direct Referrals of SARs by Financial Institutions
To Law Enforcement ${ }^{7}$ and Regulatory Agencies
—For the Period April 1, 1996 through May 31, 2002-

| Agencies | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Regulatory (continued) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Securities \& Exchange Commission | 15 | 11 | 21 | 8 | 44 | 30 | 20 | 149 |
| Office of Thrift Supervision | 7 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 15 | 14 | 48 |
| National Credit Union Administration | 4 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 19 | 41 |
| Federal Trade Commission | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 21 |
| National Association of Securities Dealers | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 9 |
| Total Regulatory | 113 | 96 | 97 | 85 | 143 | 578 | 263 | 1,375 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| State \& Local Law Enforcement |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| City/Local Police Department | 4,407 | 6,978 | 7,588 | 7,994 | 8,976 | 14,290 | 6,659 | 56,892 |
| County/Parish | 789 | 1,235 | 938 | 1,253 | 1,533 | 1,893 | 47 | 7,688 |
| D/A, A/G, or Prosecutor's Office ${ }^{8}$ | 317 | 445 | 347 | 401 | 373 | 500 | 36 | 2,419 |
| State Police | 181 | 295 | 263 | 289 | 375 | 555 | 1,324 | 3,282 |
| Other State and Local | 89 | 106 | 107 | 135 | 129 | 785 | 2,940 | 4,291 |
| Total State \& Local Law Enforcement | 5,783 | 9,059 | 9,243 | 10,072 | 11,386 | 18,023 | 11,006 | 74,572 |
| Other |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pending | 8 | 56 | 40 | 50 | 31 | 44 | 1 | 230 |
| Unspecified | 254 | 184 | 164 | 234 | 351 | 264 | 13 | 1,464 |
| Private Industry ${ }^{9}$ | 29 | 27 | 33 | 12 | 15 | 91 | 13 | 220 |
| Foreign Law Enforcement ${ }^{10}$ | 51 | 74 | 69 | 86 | 59 | 58 | 14 | 411 |
| FinCEN/DCC | 45 | 224 | 153 | 131 | 186 | 388 | 142 | 1,269 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 11,369 | 18,827 | 18,378 | 19,630 | 21,283 | 35,026 | 18,954 | 143,467 |

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## Exhibit 8

Relationship of Suspect to Financial Institution
-For the Period April l, 1996 through May 31, 2002-

| Relationship | $\mathbf{1 9 9 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 2}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Accountant | 52 | 53 | 39 | 51 | 63 | 82 | 55 |
| Agent | 73 | 142 | 207 | 358 | 503 | 523 | 684 |
| Appraiser | 29 | 26 | 35 | 80 | 122 | 372 | 244 |
| Attorney | 21 | 31 | 28 | 40 | 45 | 47 | 27 |
| Borrower | 2,453 | 3,231 | 3,727 | 4,531 | 5,100 | 6,151 | 2,722 |
| Broker | 159 | 283 | 357 | 514 | 965 | 1,512 | 830 |
| Customer | 30,698 | 49,595 | 62,524 | 78,803 | 110,463 | 142,780 | 78,935 |
| Director | 160 | 88 | 122 | 130 | 154 | 190 | 89 |
| Employee | 5,588 | 8,438 | 8,385 | 8,632 | 10,851 | 11,693 | 4,677 |
| Officer | 495 | 548 | 492 | 519 | 565 | 694 | 305 |
| Shareholder | 629 | 381 | 390 | 408 | 562 | 740 | 251 |
| Other | 9,378 | 12,927 | 14,476 | 15,213 | 21,822 | 28,256 | 14,788 |
| None Indicated | 16,925 | 12,364 | 14,491 | 22,206 | 25,582 | 25,969 | 12,393 |

## Section 2 -Trends and Analysis

## Highlighted Topic—Aspects of Financial Transactions That May Indicate Terrorist Funding

This section of the SAR Activity Review provides information related to potential terrorist financing activity. This information has been obtained from a variety of sources, including:

- reconstruction of the September 11th hijackers' financial transactions by law enforcement;
- FinCEN's analysis of SAR filings in combination with other Bank Secrecy Act (BSA) data and other information available to the government;
- analysis of SARs filed by financial institutions since September 11th; and
- Financial Action Task Force (FATF) efforts.

Since September 11th, it has become even clearer that the BSA and other antimoney laundering measures can assist in the fight against terrorism. However, it is also apparent that it can be difficult to definitively identify terrorist fundraising activities separate and apart from traditional money laundering and financial crime activities.

Currently, there is no exhaustive or exclusive list of "terrorist indicators" that the government is able to provide. FinCEN and law enforcement continue to develop indicative and distinct typologies which may be associated with terrorist financing. A complete understanding requires examination at the global level. Further input from the law enforcement community, as information is compiled and analyzed, should serve this effort.

Information provided in this SAR Activity Review comes from a variety of sources, some of which are only available to the government. This information may be useful to financial institutions in detecting suspicious transactions that either potentially involve terrorism, or are not commensurate with normal activity and may later prove to be related to terrorist financing.

Financial transaction activity alone may not identify terrorist financing. However, financial institutions are often in a position to compare that activity with other information provided by the government that could produce significant leads and other useful information regarding potential terrorist activity. Law enforcement and the regulatory agencies will continue to provide the industry such information as may appropriately be made public to assist them in that effort.

## Reconstruction of Hijackers' Financial Activities

Through reconstruction of available financial information, the FBI established how the hijackers responsible for the September 11 th attacks received their money and how money was moved out of accounts. The 19 hijackers opened 24 domestic bank accounts at four (4) different banks. The following financial profile was developed from the hijackers' domestic accounts ${ }^{11}$ :

## Account Profile:

- Accounts were opened with cash/cash equivalents in the average amount of $\$ 3,000$ to $\$ 5,000$.
- Identification used to open the accounts were visas issued through foreign governments.
- Accounts were opened within 30 days after entry into the U.S.
- All accounts were normal checking accounts with debit cards.
- The hijackers tended to open accounts in groups of three (3) or four (4) individuals.
- Some of the accounts were joint accounts.
- Addresses used usually were not permanent (i.e., mail boxes) and changed frequently.
- The hijackers often used the same address/telephone numbers on the accounts.
- No savings accounts or safe deposit boxes were opened.
- The hijackers opened their accounts at branches of large, well-known banks.
- Twelve hijackers opened accounts at the same bank.


## Transaction Profile:

- Some accounts directly received/sent wire transfers of small amounts from/ to foreign countries such as United Arab Emirates (UAE), Saudi Arabia, and Germany.
- Hijackers made numerous attempts of cash withdrawals that often exceeded the limit of the debit card.
- High percentage of withdrawals was from debit cards.
- Low percentage of checks was written.
- Numerous balance inquiries were made.
- After a deposit was made, withdrawals occurred immediately.
- There was no discernable pattern with the timing of deposits/disbursements.
- Account transactions did not reflect normal living expenses for rent, utilities, auto payments, insurance, etc.

[^6]- Funding for daily expenditures was not evident from transactions.
- Overall transactions were below reporting requirements.
- Funding of the accounts was by cash and overseas wire transfers.
- ATM transactions occurred with more than one hijacker present (uninterrupted series of transactions involving several hijackers at the same ATM).
- Debit cards were used by hijackers who did not own the accounts.


## International Activity:

- Three (3) of the hijackers supplemented their financing by opening foreign checking accounts and credit card accounts at banks located in the UAE.
- While in the U.S., two (2) of the hijackers had deposits made on their behalf by unknown individuals.
- Hijackers on all four (4) flights purchased traveler's checks overseas and brought them into the U.S. These traveler's checks were partially deposited into their U.S. checking accounts.
- Three (3) of the hijackers (pilots/leaders) continued to maintain bank accounts in Germany after moving to the U.S.
- Two (2) of the hijackers (pilots/leaders) had credit cards issued by German banks and maintained those cards after moving to the U.S.
- One (1) of the hijackers (pilot/leader) received substantial funding through wire transfers into his German bank account in 1998 and 1999 from one individual.
- In 1999, this same hijacker opened an account in UAE, giving power of attorney over the account to the same individual who had been wiring money to his German account.
- More than $\$ 100,000$ was wired from the UAE account of the hijacker to the German account of the same hijacker in a 15 -month period.


## FinCEN Analysis of SAR Filings and other BSA information

As part of its support to law enforcement, FinCEN routinely prepares proactive referral packages developed from SARs and other BSA information. After September 11th, FinCEN reviewed such referrals to evaluate whether any of those cases could possibly involve mechanisms to fund terrorist activities. Five (5) of such cases revealed that traditional methods of money laundering were used and at least one of the following other indicators was involved:

- movement of funds through state sponsors of terrorism and countries listed as having highly active anti-American terrorist activities; ${ }^{12}$
- use of unfamiliar charity/relief organization as a link in transactions;
- wire transfer activities to and from multiple relief and/or charitable organizations, domestic and foreign; and/or
- the individual or entity involved is identified on one of the lists of suspected terrorists, terrorist organizations, or associated individuals or entities.

While these indicators alone may not indicate terrorist funding, when combined with the common indicators of financial crime and money laundering (listed below), financial institutions may find this information useful and determine that additional scrutiny is warranted. Additionally, when one or several of the potentially suspicious factors exists in regard to a specific financial transaction especially when the individual or entity may appear on one of the lists of suspected terrorists, terrorist organizations, or associated individuals or entities, a financial institution would have cause to increase its scrutiny of the transaction and any associated individuals or entities.

The following methods have been used by organized crime and drug traffickers for decades to launder their illegal proceeds. Some of the common indicators of money laundering and other financial crime include:

- financial activity inconsistent with the stated purpose of the business;
- financial activity not commensurate with stated occupation;
- use of multiple accounts at a single bank for no apparent legitimate purpose;
- importation of high dollar currency and traveler's checks not commensurate with stated occupation;
- significant and even dollar deposits to personal accounts over a short period;
- structuring of deposits at multiple bank branches to avoid BSA requirements;
- refusal by any party conducting transactions to provide identification;
- apparent use of personal account for business purposes;
- abrupt change in account activity;
- use of multiple personal and business accounts to collect and then funnel funds to a small number of foreign beneficiaries;

[^7]- deposits are followed within a short period of time by wire transfers of funds;
- deposits of a combination of monetary instruments atypical of legitimate business activity (business checks, payroll checks and social security checks); and
- movement of funds through FATF ${ }^{13}$ designated non-cooperative countries or territories (NCCTs).

On January 22, 2002, FinCEN released SAR Bulletin, Issue 4 to alert the financial community to financial transactions and methods that could indicate possible fundraising associated with various criminal activities, including terrorism. Those cases, and the five (5) new case synopses below were developed from SARs and other BSA information. They are provided here as illustrations of activities that could indicate terrorist fundraising activities.

## Case 1-Relief Organization in the Middle East

FinCEN identified 649 SARs filed by seven (7) depository institutions reporting transactions totaling $\$ 9$ million involving structured cash deposits and deposits of business, payroll and Social Security benefit checks. These SARs were filed during a 3-1/2 year period. Deposited funds were subsequently wire transferred within one (1) or two (2) days to a company located in the Middle East. The deposit and wire transfer activity involved 37 individuals conducting transactions through 44 accounts on behalf of four (4) businesses. Two (2) of the businesses were wire remittance companies; one (1) was described as a relief organization at the same location as one (1) of the wire remittance businesses; the fourth undescribed business, located in the Middle East, was the beneficiary of the wire transfer activity. The majority of the wire transfers were sent to two (2) accounts in the Middle East. Other wire transfers were made to accounts at three (3) different banks in foreign locations. The majority of the transactions (83\%) were structured. Amounts of the deposits ranged from $\$ 350$ to $\$ 636,790$; most deposits fell between $\$ 2,000$ to $\$ 8,000$.

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## Case 2 - Relief/Charitable Organizations in U.S.

One (1) bank filed three (3) SARs that reported the activities of a relief organization operating in the U.S., whose stated primary purpose is the collection of donations and funds for worthwhile causes in Middle Eastern countries. Over an approximate 15 -month period, the relief organization initiated wire transfers from its U.S. bank account totaling $\$ 685,560$ through its primary account in a former Soviet Republic to its accounts in other former Soviet Republic countries. The relief organization's U.S. bank account also received wire transfers totaling $\$ 724,694$ from unknown senders at a European bank and wired a total of $\$ 65,740$ to a U.S. charitable organization. The filing institution deemed this activity inconsistent with the stated purpose of the account.

FinCEN identified two (2) other SARs filed by two (2) banks regarding financial activity of the U.S. charitable organization. The SARs identified $\$ 445,325$ wired to the U.S. charitable organization's account in the Middle East through the filing banks' U.S. correspondent bank. They also wired $\$ 18,000$ to a media services business in the Middle East in 2001. Four (4) different accounts were used. SARs also described structured cash deposits totaling $\$ 53,800$, and check deposits totaling $\$ 121,705$. FinCEN identified three (3) additional accounts at three (3) other banks through currency transaction reports (CTRs). Those CTRs reported cash deposits totaling $\$ 227,519$ in 1994, 1999, and 2001.

## Case 3-Car Salesman

A total of nine (9) SARs and 14 CTRs were filed regarding the personal account activities of a used car dealer/car salesman/exporter during the period September 1991 through December 1999. Early activity involved check cashing by the account holder. In early 1996, he began structuring his transactions weekly and sometimes daily, primarily making cash withdrawals and cashing negotiable instruments, apparently to avoid the CTR reporting requirements. SARs were filed reporting structured cash withdrawals that ranged from \$3,000 to \$9,900. This activity continued through mid-1999. Beginning in September 1998 and continuing through December 1999, the individual's personal account began receiving large dollar wire transfers from jurisdictions in the Middle East. In 1999, large dollar wire transfers were generated from the account to the benefit of businesses and individuals in the Middle East and North America.

Account activity including withdrawals, checks cashed and negotiable instruments cashed totaled $\$ 556,350$; deposits and wire transfers received amounted to $\$ 1,447,888.90$ and wire transfers sent amounted to $\$ 465,246$. Total account activity reported in SARs and CTRs, was in excess of $\$ 2$ million.

## Case - 4 Import/Export Business

FinCEN identified five (5) SARs filed by one (1) bank, two (2) SARs filed voluntarily by a money services business (MSB) and many CTRs filed by two (2) different east coast financial institutions. These filings identified significant cash deposits and wire transfer activity by a business described as an import/export business and as a leather goods store. Over an approximate one-year period (July 1999 through June 2000), wire transfers totaling $\$ 702,366$ were sent from a corporate account at one (1) bank to businesses and individuals in numerous jurisdictions, including two (2) NCCTs, one (1) country designated as a state sponsor of terrorism, and one (1) country subject to a travel warning for a high level of anti-American terrorist activities. Wire transfer amounts varied from a high of $\$ 22,150$ to a low of $\$ 3,000$. During the same period, CTRs reflected cash deposits into this account at New York and Florida branches, totaling \$616,231 and monetary instrument deposits totaling $\$ 238,986$. The majority of the cash deposits occurred weekly and was structured below CTR reporting thresholds. Monetary instruments were deposited at three (3) branch locations and included commercial and U.S. Postal money orders, and bank, personal, and business checks. An individual using a New York address attempted to make a $\$ 12,995$ cash deposit into this account at a California branch in March 2000, but when asked for additional identifying data, the individual refused and stopped the transaction. Cash withdrawals totaling $\$ 13,500$ and four (4) negotiable instruments cashed totaling $\$ 55,300$ were reported for a second corporate account at a different bank.

A SAR narrative filed by the same bank links this business via telephone number to a second business described as an import/export and wire service business. The individual with signature authority on the original corporate account made cash deposits totaling \$920,649 to the account of the second business during a ten-month period in 1998. Another SAR, for what appears to be his personal account, reflects cash deposits at New York and Florida branches of the bank that totaled $\$ 26,770$ during a three-month period in 1999. The bank filed SARs because the deposits were structured. During the same period, wire transfers totaling $\$ 30,000$ were sent to an individual in an NCCT and a business in Europe.

## Case 5 - Owner of Pharmaceutical Company

A SAR was filed reporting two (2) same-day deposits ( $\$ 3,500$ and $\$ 9,900$ ) made three (3) hours apart to a savings account by a bank customer. The bank initiated a review of the customer's accounts. The review identified additional suspicious activity in four (4) of his personal accounts, including the original savings account. From December 1999 through April 2001, 38 cash/non-cash deposits and one (1) wire transfer deposit totaled $\$ 2,202,384$. During the same time period,
one (1) withdrawal, two (2) cashings of negotiable instruments, three (3) wire transfers and two (2) other debit transactions totaled $\$ 2,256,223$. Of this total, $\$ 2,040,370$ flowed into the original suspect's savings account and $\$ 2,097,323$ flowed out of the account. Cash and non-cash deposits were described as even dollar amounts ranging from $\$ 1,000$ to $\$ 100,000$. Wire transfer activity included a $\$ 25,000$ wire transfer received from an individual and three (3) transfers totaling $\$ 100,000$ sent to two (2) different individuals. The SAR and related CTRs describe the individual as the owner/president of a pharmaceutical company and the owner/CEO of a biochemical lab.

In July 1996, this individual transported $\$ 11,200$ into the U.S. from a Caribbean country and in December 2000, he transported $\$ 11,500$ from the U.S. to Europe. In both instances, he claimed citizenship in a country subject to a travel warning for anti-American terrorist activity and provided a non-U.S. passport as identification. He is also cited as entering the U.S. a total of 32 times from March 1996 through August 2001. Identification provided, as cited in the entry records, was an alien registration number.

## SARs Filed Referring to Terrorism

FinCEN conducted a search of the SAR database to determine the extent to which SARs had been filed that related to terrorism. Two (2) search methods were used. The first method included a keyword search of the narrative portion of the SARs. Keywords that were searched included: terror, terrorism, terrorist(s), September 11(th), 9/11, 9/11/01, World Trade Center, WTC, Pentagon, Control List, Watchlist, Watch List, hijacking(s), and hijacker(s). The second method involved a query of the violation field. The terms that were searched in the "Other" violation field included the words terrorist(s) and terrorism.

## SARs Filed Prior to September 11, 2001

Between April 1996 and September 11, 2001, 32 SARs were filed that contained references to terrorism. Of those 32 SARs, none indicated an impending attack on the U.S., but all had some form of the word "terror" in the SAR. These 32 SARs were filed by 18 separate financial institutions. The filers of 18 SARs indicated that they had also reported the suspicious activity directly to law enforcement. (Box 40 was checked on the SAR).

Upon further review, only 21 SARs described suspicious activity related to terrorism or terrorist organizations. Of those SARs, the following reasons were cited for the filing of the report:

- individuals or associations on Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control's (OFAC) list of specially designated terrorists;
- suspicious wire transfer activity involving an individual believed to be linked with terrorist organizations; or
- advanced payment fraud scheme involving the purchase of money orders involving an individual believed to be linked with terrorist organizations.


## SARs Filed after September 11, 2001 through

## March 31, 2002

Between September 12, 2001 and March 31, 2002, more than 1,600 SARs were filed that contained references to terrorism or terrorist groups. Of these, 1,463 SARs contained references to terrorism in the narrative portion of the SAR. There were 143 SAR filings that did not contain any of the search terms in the narrative portion of the SAR filings, rather, the term terrorist or terrorism appeared in the "Other" violation field. The following table and chart show the number of SARs filed in each month since September 12, 2001:


Listed below is more information about these SARs.

- The SARs were filed by 255 financial institutions.
- The suspicious activity reported in the SARs occurred in 43 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and Guam.
- Some foreign branches of U.S. banks located in Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, the United Kingdom and Costa Rica filed SARs relating to terrorist activity.
- Violation amounts ranged from $\$ 0^{14}$ to $\$ 300$ million.
- There were 1,016 SARs that recorded $\$ 0$ as the violation amount.
- Financial institutions indicated that 517 SARs were referred directly to law enforcement. (Box 40 was checked on the SAR.)

[^9]A review of the SAR filings indicates that the increase in filings was attributed to the issuance of various government lists of known or suspected terrorists against which banks and other financial institutions researched their files/databases for possible matches to individuals on those lists. Eighty-five percent of the SAR filings $(1,369)$ indicate that the SAR was filed as the result of apparent matches of the names of individuals or entities provided to institutions by government agencies.

The three (3) main activities described in the SAR filings that were filed as a result of apparent name matches were:

- wire transfers;
- use of ATMs; and
- large cash transactions.

The suspicious wire transfers occurred predominantly to or from Middle-Eastern countries. Other countries identified in connection with suspicious wire transfer activity included Pakistan, Malaysia, Indonesia, the Philippines, Liberia, Tanzania, Switzerland, the U.S., and Canada.

The ATM activity was described as suspicious because of the frequency of use and the geographic location of usage. The countries cited in SAR filings that reported suspicious use of ATMs included Lebanon, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, and the U.S.

The suspicious cash transactions described in SAR narratives were conducted to establish new accounts, pay off credit card debts, effect wire transfers, and purchase money orders and/or travelers checks.

There were 143 SARs that did not contain any of the search terms used in the narrative portion of the SARs. However, the terms terrorist or terrorism appeared in the "Other" violation field. Of the SARs that identified terrorist or terrorism in the "Other" violation field, 47 SARs did not contain a narrative description of the suspicious activity. The other 96 SAR filings indicated that the filings were the result of compliance with various U.S. Government requests.

There were 94 SARs filed for a variety of other reasons. In 40 instances, financial institutions indicated that the SAR was filed because the individual was a pilot or student attending flight school. In other instances, financial institutions indicated that the SAR was filed because the account holder appeared to have the same name as individuals identified by the media as terrorists, appeared to be of Middle-Eastern descent, or the SAR was filed because of the "recent events" of
terrorist acts. It is important to remember that a SAR filing should not be based on a person's ethnicity. In addition, a SAR should not be filed solely because a person appears to have the same name as individuals identified by the media as terrorists.

Transactions to or from, or conducted by persons with possible affiliations with jurisdictions associated with terrorist activity should not be the only factor that prompts the filing of a SAR. However, this information may be relevant and should be considered in conjunction with other relevant information in deciding whether a SAR is warranted, as set forth in 31 CFR 103.18 and the regulations prescribed by the bank regulatory agencies, such as a lack of any apparent legal or business purpose to a transaction or series of transactions. Resources that should be consulted about such jurisdictions include: the State Department's list of State sponsors of terrorism (see Footnote 12); the Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control's (OFAC) lists of foreign terrorists; ${ }^{15}$ and FATF's list of non-cooperative countries and territories. (see Footnote 13)

## Financial Action Task Force (FATF) Efforts

At its extraordinary plenary meeting on October 29-30, 2001, the FATF agreed to develop special guidance for financial institutions to help detect the techniques and mechanisms used in the financing of terrorism. The FATF subsequently brought together experts from its member countries to gather information on and study the issue of terrorist financing as part of its annual exercise on money laundering methods and trends. One goal of this exercise was to begin establishing guidance for financial institutions that could be used along with the annual FATF Report on Money Laundering Methods and Trends. Material derived from the exercises, along with contributions from the Egmont Group of financial intelligence units and other international bodies, was used in developing the document published on the FATF website on April 24, 2002. FATF's Guidance for Financial Institutions in Detecting Terrorist Financing can be found at www.fatf-gafi.org/pdf/GuidFITF01_en.pdf.

The Egmont Group also met following the FATF meeting and its 53 member countries (at that time) agreed to share pertinent information in support of the September 11th terrorist investigations.

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## Section 3 - Other SAR Analysis Issues

This section of the SAR Activity Review outlines examples and patterns of suspicious activity reported in the SAR database. The value of this information is that financial institutions have reported these activities as suspicious and other financial institutions should be alert to similar suspicious activities occurring in their institutions.

## Suspicious Activity Involving Credit/Debit Cards

FinCEN was asked by the General Accounting Office (GAO) to conduct a study on how credit/debit/ATM cards may be used in facilitating money laundering. GAO requested that FinCEN conduct a search of the SAR database for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 with the following specific parameters: 1) SARs filed that indicated BSA/Structuring/Money Laundering as the violation type where the term credit card or credit cards appeared in the narrative; 2) SARs filed that indicated Credit Card Fraud as the violation and where the terms BSA, Bank Secrecy Act, money laundering, or structuring appeared in the narrative; 3) SARs filed that indicated BSA/Structuring/Money Laundering as the violation type where the term debit or debit cards appeared in the narrative; and 4) SARs filed that indicated Debit Card Fraud as the violation and where the terms BSA, Bank Secrecy Act, money laundering, or structuring appeared in the narrative.

## Statistical Overview

The search of the SAR database for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 identified 499 SARs filed by 134 financial institutions in which the narrative section contained information pertinent to the request. These SARs represent about one tenth of one percent of the total of all SARs filed during that period. Of the relevant SARs:

- BSA/Structuring/Money Laundering was cited as the primary violation in 488 SARs (97.7\%);
- eight (8) SARs cited credit card fraud as the primary violation;
- two (2) SARs cited debit card fraud as the primary violation;
- one (1) SAR cited defalcation/embezzlement as the primary violation;
- violation amounts ranged from $\$ 0$ to $\$ 9.76$ million; and
- filers of 70 SARs indicated (by checking Box 40 of the SAR) that they had reported the suspicious activity directly to law enforcement - 39 were reported to federal agencies and 31 were reported to state or local authorities.


## Highlighted Patterns of Activity

Analysis of the narrative sections of the set of relevant SARs identified a number of patterns of suspicious activity associated with credit cards. Following are descriptions of these patterns, grouped by the number of SARs that could be linked to each subject area.

## Structuring of Payments on Credit Card Accounts

A total of 115 SARs described cash structuring activity in the narratives. Typically, the SARs described structuring by customers who attempted multiple transactions below the CTR reporting requirements. Most often, these were cash transactions where the customer asked to deposit funds into various accounts, pay down loans, purchase cashier's checks, and make credit card payments. When these clients were informed that a CTR would be filed based on the total amount of activity, most withdrew one (1) or more transactions to get under the CTR threshold. Such activity was routinely reported as suspicious by the financial institution involved.

Of particular interest for those transactions reported as suspicious is the high dollar amount that customers wanted to pay on their credit card accounts. These attempted total payments were typically well over $\$ 5,000$ and often exceeded $\$ 10,000$. In several scenarios, a non-bank customer attempted to make cash payments to a credit card which was in the name of an actual bank customer. Two (2) SARs describe structuring by use of automated teller machine (ATM) cards, i.e., multiple (small denomination bills) cash deposits to different accounts by one person.

## ATM/Debit Cards

A total of 61 SARs described credit/debit/ATM card fraud. Most of these SARs discussed lost or stolen credit cards being used by another party.

An additional 70 SARs discussed the use of ATM/debit cards. As in previous examples, individuals structured multiple deposits or withdrawals to avoid CTR reporting requirements. In the case of checks deposited via an ATM, most proved to be fraudulent checks, but only after cash withdrawals or point-of-sale transactions transpired, causing the bank to suffer a loss. Some scenarios depicted customers who wired money into their accounts from an account in a bank in a foreign country and then proceeded to make multiple ATM withdrawals in that foreign country. [See FinCEN SAR Bulletin - Issue 1 (June 1999) Automated Teller Machines.]

## Cash Advances from Credit Card Accounts

Cash advances on credit cards were described in 97 narratives. These large advances were drawn on one or more credit cards. Typically, the customer used these advances to purchase cashier's checks or to wire funds to a foreign destination. Clients also requested that cash advances be deposited into savings and or checking accounts.

## Credit Card Convenience Checks ${ }^{16}$

A total of 32 SARs discussed suspicious activity involving courtesy/convenience checks supplied by credit card issuers. In some scenarios, convenience checks were deposited into an account in small amounts, indicative of possible structuring activity. In other instances, banks reported that the convenience checks were returned unpaid. Filers also noted that convenience checks were used in attempts to perpetrate identity theft.

## Use of Monetary Instruments in Credit Card Account Activity

A total of 15 SARs described suspicious activity involving traveler's checks. In all instances, the checks were purchased with a credit card at the offices of the issuer. Of these SARs, eight (8) were filed on the same individual. This individual deposited the traveler's checks into his personal account, claiming that the checks were provided by "clients" to pay off the outstanding balance on the credit card. This subject also claimed that depositing traveler's checks would circumvent any need for the filing of CTRs. During FY2000/2001, the subject deposited $\$ 1.9$ million in traveler's checks. The remaining SARs filed by the credit card issuer described suspicious activity in which traveler's checks were purchased in bulk with a credit card, then deposited within a short period of time-typically no more than a day or two following the purchase.

Eight (8) SARs reported customers, who made cash purchases of cashier's checks. Some checks, were made payable to various credit card companies. Other cashier's checks were purchased with cash advances from credit cards made payable to a third party or to the purchaser.

A small number of SARs reported credit card payments using money orders. These money orders were usually sequentially numbered. Many filers believed sequentially numbered or bulk money orders were suspicious because the original source of the funds could not be identified. Payment with money orders to credit

[^11]card accounts is rare, and attracts the attention of the banks.
Three (3) SARs filed by the same financial institution described activity in which individuals used counterfeit or forged checks to make payments on their credit cards. In all, 16 fraudulent checks were deposited into three separate accounts. It did not appear that these three (3) individuals were related in any way; however, the filing institution cross-referenced all three SARs.

## Wire Transfers Linked to Credit Card Activity

A total of 16 SARs were filed in which filers noted suspicious credit card activity linked to wire transfers. Reported activity included:

- cash deposits followed by immediate wires to credit card companies;
- incoming wires from foreign countries to an individual's credit card account;
- outgoing wires to credit card accounts;
- incoming wires followed by checks written to credit card companies; and
- cash advances used to wire funds to foreign destinations.

Three (3) SARs filed by a single financial institution described incoming wires from a foreign location payable to a credit card corporation. The aggregate total of these SARs was $\$ 11,824,982.90$.

## Overpayments on Credit Card Accounts

A total of 15 SARs described payments in excess of amounts owed on credit cards, which necessitated the issuance of a refund check by the bank. Seven (7) of these SARs discussed such payments made in cash. Other methods of overpayment include checks written to the credit card account, electronic transfers between accounts, and payment via debit card. Four (4) SARs did not elaborate on the method of payment. The source of funds could not be determined by the banks; refund checks ranged from $\$ 7,000$ to $\$ 192,000$. This overpayment/refund process is indicative of possible money laundering activity, inasmuch as it provides a relatively simple mechanism for conversion of criminal proceeds, or other problematic funds, to a bank instrument that can be further negotiated with little or no attention to the origin of the funds.

## Subjects Linked to Organized Crime

Of the 488 SARs reviewed for this request, only six (6) SARs were filed on subjects associated with organized criminal activity. The six (6) SARs were filed
in early 2001 on four (4) suspects. The suspicious activity identified revealed check payments credited to their credit card accounts by a fifth individual, who had been indicted on charges of money laundering, contraband cigarette smuggling, and visa/immigration fraud charges.

## Suspicious Activity Reports Filed by Money Services Businesses (MSBs)

On January 1, 2002, certain MSBs became subject to the suspicious activity reporting requirement under the BSA. The rule requires that money transmitters, and issuers, sellers, and redeemers of money orders and traveler's checks report suspicious activity occurring on or after January 1, 2002.

FinCEN has developed a form to be used solely by money transmitters and issuers, sellers, and redeemers of money orders and traveler's checks to report suspicious transactions. That proposed form, the Suspicious Activity Report-MSB, (SAR-MSB) was published in the Federal Register on February 27, 2002 for public comment. The final draft was published on July 25, 2002, and is awaiting OMB approval. The form is expected to be in use by October 2002; FinCEN will provide a public announcement of the exact date. In the meantime, money transmitters, and issuers, sellers, and redeemers of money orders and traveler's checks are using the existing bank suspicious activity report, Form TD F 90-22.47, to report suspicious activity. Because the current bank SAR form is not tailored to meet the unique requirements of those MSBs required to report, relevant information about the nature of the filer's business cannot be determined.

During the period January 1 through March 26, 2002, a total of 3,914 SAR-MSB filings were made by 311 separate entities. It should be noted that in 67 instances, the name of the branch/filer was left blank; these 67 instances are not included in the 311 named MSBs. More than $46 \%$ of the SAR-MSB filings were made by five (5) MSBs.

Violation amounts ranged from $\$ 0$ to $\$ 224$ million. The following table identifies
the range of the violation amounts as reported in the SAR-MSB filings:

| Dollar Range | Number of SAR-MSB filings |
| :---: | :---: |
| \$0 | 272 |
| \$1- \$9,999 | 2,923* |
| \$10,000 - \$19,999 | 426 |
| \$20,000 - \$29,999 | 140 |
| \$30,000 - \$39,999 | 59 |
| \$40,000 - \$49,999 | 26 |
| \$50,000 - \$59,000 | 24 |
| \$60,000-\$99,999 | 16 |
| \$100,000-\$999,000 | 26 |
| Over \$1 million | 2 |

(* 1,099 SAR-MSB filings fall into the $\$ 2,000-\$ 2,999$ range)
The SAR-MSB filings were filed from 45 states as well as from the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, Canada, Dominican Republic and a U.S. Navy Exchange in Japan. However, 1,664 of these SAR-MSB filings (42.4\%) do not indicate the state in which they were filed, in either the branch or filer fields. A total of 488 of the MSB-SAR filings (12.4\%) were referred directly to law enforcement.

The following table identifies the top five states from which MSB-SARs were filed [based on the remaining 2,259 SAR-MSB filings (57.6\%)]:

| State | Number of MSB-SAR Filings | Percentage |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Arizona | 466 | 20.62 |
| New York | 397 | 17.57 |
| Florida | 222 | 9.82 |
| California | 104 | 4.60 |
| Pennsylvania | 99 | 4.38 |

In 118 instances, no suspect was identified on the MSB-SAR filing. One (1) MSB failed to identify the suspect name in 82 of its 85 filings, while another MSB failed to identify the suspect name in 12 of its 15 filings. Another MSB failed to identify a city, street, or state in each of the branch or filer fields.

FinCEN is engaged in a public outreach program and improvements in SAR filings by MSBs are expected.

## Section 4 - Law Enforcement Cases

This section of the SAR Activity Review provides law enforcement agencies with the opportunity to summarize investigative activity in which SARs and other BSA information played an important role in a successful investigation and/or prosecution of criminal activity. Each issue of the SAR Activity Review includes new examples based on information received from law enforcement.

## Raids in 14 States Aimed at Stopping Illegal Money Transfers to Iraq

In early February 2002, money-transfer agents in 14 states were raided by federal agents to stop alleged illegal wiring of millions of dollars to Iraq. Twenty-nine (29) search warrants on businesses and individuals were used, allowing law enforcement agents to seize documents and records. The businesses and individuals are also under investigation for possible violations of anti-money laundering laws and possible violations of regulations requiring money services businesses to register with the government. It is believed that money transfer agents wired money intended for recipients in Iraq to a bank in Jordan. A 1990 U.S. Executive Order prohibits the transfer of money, directly or indirectly, to the Iraqi government or its people. SARs added value to the investigation by identifying individuals who were not subjects of the initial investigation and tied them to the businesses that were under investigation. (Source: U.S. Customs Service)

## Jury Convicts Man in Unlicensed Money Transmission Scheme

Information gleaned by an interagency investigation from SARs led to the successful prosecution of a man for operating an illegal money transmitting system. On April 30, 2002, a federal jury convicted the defendant for knowingly running an illegal money transmitting operation without a state license. According to the indictment, from September 5, 2000 through November 2001, the defendant operated the money transmitter without the license required by the state, despite notice from the state supervisory agency that this was criminal conduct. During this period, the defendant transmitted $\$ 2.8$ million to the UAE. The money transmitter in this case is one of a number of outlets of a money transmitter system that had its assets frozen by Treasury's OFAC. (Source: U.S. Customs Service)

## SAR Filings Assist

## International Money Laundering Case

Between November 2000 and January 2001, SARs were filed by two (2) banks indicating accounts controlled by Victor Alberto Venero-Garrido had received large and suspicious deposits totaling over $\$ 22$ million. Following the filing of the SARs, a money laundering investigation was initiated. The investigation determined that Venero was a known associate for indicted former Chief of the Peruvian Intelligence Service, Vladimiro Montesinos. At the time, Montesinos, top advisor to former Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori, was wanted by Peru for fleeing with government funds, narcotics trafficking, and for human rights violations that included overseeing death squads. Venero, a former Peruvian general, was also wanted by Peruvian authorities for these same crimes.

On January 26, 2001, Venero was arrested on a Provisional Arrest Warrant requested by the Peruvian Government after he liquidated an account for the amount of $\$ 3.7$ million. According to the Peruvian indictments, Montesinos and Venero had committed numerous crimes that netted them illicit proceeds of almost $\$ 1$ billion over the past seven (7) to eight (8) years. On June 24, 2001, Vladimiro Montesinos was arrested by the Venezuelan military in Caracas.

To date, more than $\$ 24$ million has been frozen in accounts belonging to subjects of this investigation. More than $\$ 50$ million has been recovered by Peruvian authorities. Investigations are continuing in the United States. Trials are pending in Peru. President Alberto Fujimori has resigned as President of Peru and is in self-imposed exile in Japan. (Source: FBI)

## Metal Traders Charged in International Bank Fraud Scheme

In May 2002, three (3) principals and the former treasurer of a group of metal trading companies were charged with conspiracy to commit bank fraud, mail fraud, and wire fraud in connection with a sophisticated international scheme to defraud banks worldwide of more than $\$ 600$ million. The investigation was initiated following the filing of several SARs on the business by different banks claiming significant losses.

Since May 2000, the group of metal trading companies allegedly stole millions of dollars in loan proceeds from several banks around the world by fabricating collateral and misrepresenting the existence of the underlying business transactions. The companies represented themselves to be in the business of brokering
sales of non-ferrous metals suppliers and purchasers worldwide, arranging for overseas shipments of metal, and providing interim financing for purchasers. In order to provide such financing, the companies began entering into loan agreements that eventually gave them access to over $\$ 1$ billion. (Source: FBI)

## Store Owners Plead Guilty to Structuring and Food Stamp Fraud

The joint investigation among several federal and local law enforcement officials was initiated as the result of a SAR filing. In February 2002, three (3) brothers pled guilty to fraudulently selling food stamps out of their convenience store. The scam netted nearly $\$ 2$ million. The brothers also wire transferred $\$ 228,000$ of their illegal profits to five (5) foreign nationals in the Middle East-transactions that are still under investigation by federal agents. The brothers sold food stamps and vouchers for the Women, Infant and Children (WIC) program for 50 cents on the dollar. The defendants redeemed the stamps through the store's bank accounts for full face value and routinely cashed checks written for slightly less than $\$ 10,000$. (Source: IRS/Criminal Investigation)

## Former Banker Sentenced for Avoiding IRS Reporting

In March 2002, the founder and former president of a small bank pled guilty to structuring financial transactions. The banker had earlier argued that he was merely trying to gain customers for the bank. The case involved the banker asking an individual if he and his father could deposit money at the bank. That man took cash deposits of $\$ 5,000$ and $\$ 40,000$ directly to the banker because he did not want to "draw attention to himself." The failure to file CTRs was detected by a routine bank audit and a SAR was filed. (Source: IRS/Criminal Investigation)

## Three Family Members Plead Guilty to Structuring

SARs filed by a bank resulted in the initiation of an investigation by the IRS. Three (3) family members pled guilty to conspiring to obstruct the IRS from ascertaining their true income tax liabilities for tax years 1978 through 1995 by filing false tax returns and structuring currency transaction in amounts less than
$\$ 10,000$. The individuals skimmed cash receipts, which they kept in safety deposit boxes, from their three businesses. The father and mother concealed their taxable incomes by commingling their assets with each other and their son in multiple business and personal accounts. They would cash checks, make deposits, and make cash withdrawals at banks in amounts less than $\$ 10,000$ to avoid the filing of CTRs. Between February and August 1995, they structured $\$ 259,000$ of cash deposits into three (3) different bank accounts. The commingling of funds was used to pay for the construction of their 11,000 square foot home that was later sold for $\$ 2.6$ million. In January 2002, the three (3) individuals were sentenced to prison terms and fined. (Source: IRS/Criminal Investigation)

## Appeals Court Affirms Conviction in Tax Evasion Case Arising From a SAR

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit affirmed the conviction of David Middleton for attempting to evade or defeat income tax in violation of 26 U.S.C. 7201. The case arose from a SAR filed by a bank employee. Middleton was a real estate agent who formed several companies through which he provided consulting services aimed at property tax reduction. Over a five (5) year period, he received more than $\$ 1.5$ million in gross receipts, which he deposited into various non-interest bearing business accounts he had established in various corporate names. He was the only authorized signatory on the accounts. Once Middleton made a deposit, he would write several checks and cash them at different bank branches by making a series of structured withdrawals for less than $\$ 10,000$. Middleton never used personal or business checks to pay bills, relying instead on cash, money orders, bank checks, and endorsed business receipt checks. He filed no income tax returns during this time.

A jury convicted Middleton on all five tax evasion counts alleged against him in the indictment (structuring was not charged, but alleged as evidence of willful intent to evade or defeat income tax). The Court of Appeals affirmed the conviction in all respects. However, the 36 -month sentence imposed on Middleton was vacated and remanded to enable the trial judge to make factual findings supporting the sentence enhancement made for obstruction of justice, as required by Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 32(c)(1). United States v. Middleton, 246 F.3d 825 (6th Cir. 2001).

## State and Local Law Enforcement Use of SAR Data

The following information obtained through the FinCEN Gateway Program ${ }^{17}$ illustrates state and local governments' use of SAR data.

Gateway users reviewed 6,106 SARs during the period October 1, 2000 through September 30, 2001. Of those, 3,069 SARs were identified as useful to the Gateway user's case. During the same period, SAR information was used to open 186 investigations. [Gateway users have the option of identifying (in the system) investigations that were initiated as a result of SAR filings. Because this option is not mandatory, the statistics do not capture the total number of investigative actions initiated by state and local law enforcement or regulatory agencies.]

## SAR leads to Guilty Plea of Money Laundering

A SAR filed by a bank revealed that an individual had deposited over $\$ 44,000$ to and withdrawn over $\$ 31,000$ from his account in a one-month period. Subpoenaed bank records revealed that this individual had deposited over $\$ 103,000$ in a nine-month period from late 1999 to mid-2000. The individual had no record of employment and had not filed state income taxes for the three (3) prior tax years. Further investigation revealed that this individual had purchased several vehicles for over $\$ 23,000$ in cash. A criminal records check revealed that this individual had numerous arrests, several of which were drug related.

In September 2000, search warrants were executed at two (2) residences associated with the individual. These search warrants resulted in the seizure of over $\$ 25,000$ in cash, three (3) vehicles, numerous pieces of expensive jewelry, and four (4) handguns. Also executed were three (3) seizure warrants on financial institutions that resulted in the seizure of over $\$ 113,500$.

This individual was indicted on four (4) counts of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, four (4) counts of possession of a firearm with obliterated serial numbers, and one (1) count of money laundering. In May 2001, the individual pled guilty to one (1) count of felony possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and one count of money laundering. (Source: Prince Georges County Police, State of Maryland)

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# Section 5 - Tips on SAR Preparation \& Filing 

Reporting Potential Terrorist Related Activity on a SAR

## General Instructions for Completing the SAR

FinCEN has received a number of calls from financial institutions requesting assistance in completing a SAR when the suspicious activity may be terrorist related. The following guidance is offered: 1) report the information on the SAR accurately and completely; and 2) complete the narrative section by describing the suspicious transaction as completely as possible and include the following information, if applicable - any correspondent bank name/account information; names/ locations of business entities; names of cities, countries and foreign financial institutions linked to the transaction, especially if funds transfer activity is involved; and account numbers and beneficiary names.

## Specific Instructions for a Particular Industry

Financial institutions reporting potential terrorist-related activity on Form TD F 90-22.47 are requested to check the "Other" box on Part III, Line 35(s) of the form and note the word "terrorism" in the space following the box. However, in some situations, the suspicious activity may also involve money laundering, therefore, the institution should also check Box 35(a).

Casinos and card clubs reporting potential terrorist-related activity on Form TD F 90-22.49 (SARC) are asked to check the "Other" box on Part III, Line 32(n) and note the word "terrorism" in the space following the box. If the suspicious activity also involves money laundering, Box 32(h) or 32(j) should also be checked.

Regardless of which form is used, all filers should ensure that the narrative includes as much detail as possible regarding the potential terrorist-related and money laundering activities.

## SAR Filing Tips for MSBs

The MSB SAR requirement became effective on January 1, 2002, and requires that certain MSBs, (i.e., money transmitters, issuers, sellers, and redeemers of traveler's checks, and issuers, sellers, and redeemers of money orders) report suspicious transactions occurring on or after January 1, 2002.

The following tips are provided for MSBs submitting SARs on the interim SAR form, TD F 90-22.47. These tips are being provided based on a review of the interim forms submitted by MSBs since January 1, 2002.

- MSBs should file a SAR only if the transaction is suspicious.
- MSBs must file a SAR if the transaction is suspicious and exceeds $\$ 2,000$ ( $\$ 5,000$, if a clearinghouse).
- If the transaction is suspicious but does not exceed $\$ 2,000$, the MSB may file a SAR voluntarily.
- If a SAR is filed, it is critical that Part V of the form (Suspicious Activity Information Explanation/Description) be completed to explain why the activity is considered suspicious.
- FinCEN has developed a SAR form ${ }^{18}$ to be used soley by money transmitters and issuers, sellers and redeemers of money orders and traveler's checks when reporting suspicious transactions. It is expected that this form will be available for use by October 1, 2002. However, in the interim, these MSBs should continue to use Form TD F 90-22.47 (bank SAR form) to report suspicious activities. NOTE: MSBs should write the letters "MSB" in block print at the top of the form and also in the blank space in Item 5 of the form. This will help to distinguish MSB SARs from SARs filed by depository institutions.


## Filing a Corrected or Amended SAR

FinCEN often receives questions regarding how to amend or correct a previously filed SAR. To file a corrected SAR form, follow the instructions on Form TD F 90-22.47, under "HOW TO MAKE A REPORT." Check the appropriate "Correction" box depending on the SAR form used. The new/ revised SAR should be completed in its entirety and the corrected information should be provided in the applicable boxes. These changes should be described in the "Suspicious Activity Information Explanation/Description" section of the form.

18 A copy of the final draft form was published in the Federal Register on July 25, 2002, and is available for review only (not for use) on FinCEN's MSB website at: www.msb.gov, under the heading of "What's New." [NOTE: The SAR-MSB, TD F 90-22.56 is a draft form and cannot be used to report suspicious activity until it has been issued as a final form.]

## Filing a SAR <br> For Ongoing or Supplemental Information

FinCEN often receives questions regarding how to provide supplemental information for suspicious activity that has already been reported previously on a SAR but is still occurring. The following guidance is provided:

## SAR Filers using Form TD F 90-22.47

- Part III, Item 33 - The SAR must be completed in its entirety and should contain the following information: Date or range of dates of suspicious activity should be included by entering the first known date of suspicious activity (same date as reflected on the initial report) in the "From" field and the last occurrence date in the "To" field.
- Part III, Item 34- Total dollar amount involved in known or suspicious activity must reflect an aggregated total of all transactions for multiple or related suspicious activities by the same individual or organization within the same reporting period (as identified in Item 33). [NOTE: Dollar values should be calculated on the basis of suspicious transactions as opposed to loss to the filing institution.]
- Part V - Suspicious Activity Information Explanation/Description may reference prior SARs filed with corresponding dates and dollar amounts, in addition to a detailed explanation/description of the known or suspected violation of law or suspicious activity. For more detailed instructions on other items that should be included in this area, please see the instructions on the SAR form or "Preparation Guidelines For Suspicious Activity Report Form dated June 2000" which can be found on FinCEN's website at www.fincen.gov /sarguidelinesv4.doc


## SARC Filers using Form TD F 90-22.49

Check Box C, "Supplemental Report" and complete the form in its entirety by providing the following information.

- Part III, Item 30 - Date of suspicious activity should be included by entering the first known date of suspicious activity (same date as reflected on the initial report).
- Part III, Item 31- Total dollar amount involved in known or suspicious activity must reflect an aggregated total of all transactions for multiple or related suspicious activities by the same individual or organization within the same reporting period (as identified in Item 30).
- Part VII - Suspicious Activity Information Explanation/Description may reference prior SARs filed with corresponding dates and dollar amounts, in addition to a detailed explanation/description of the known or suspected violation of law or suspicious activity. For more detailed instructions on other items that should be included in this area, please see the instructions on the SAR form, in addition to the "Preparation Guidelines For Suspicious Activity Report Form dated June 2000" which can be found on FinCEN's website at www.fincen.gov/sarguidelinesv4.doc.


## Where to Send Completed SARs

SARs (Form TD F 90-22.47) filed in paper format by either a depository institution, broker/dealer in securities, MSB, or others should be mailed to:

FinCEN
Detroit Computing Center
P.O. Box 33980

Detroit, MI 48232-0980

SARs for casinos (Form TD F 90-22.49) filed in paper format should be mailed to:

## FinCEN

Detroit Computing Center
Attn: SARC
P.O. Box 32621

Detroit, MI 48232-5980
SARs or SARCs filed by magnetic media/diskette format, should be mailed to:
IRS Detroit Computing Center
Attn: Tape Library
985 Michigan Ave.
Detroit, MI 48232

## Section 6 - SAR News Update

This section of the SAR Activity Review discusses measures taken since September 11th that affect the identification of suspicious activity and the preparation and filing of SARs.

## FinCEN's FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS HOTLINE

FinCEN has established a FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS HOTLINE (1-866-5563974) for financial institutions to report suspicious transactions that may relate to recent terrorist activity against the U.S. The purpose of the HOTLINE is to facilitate the immediate transmittal of this information to law enforcement.

Financial institutions identifying suspicious transactions under 31 CFR Part 103 or under the regulations of their federal supervisor's regulation are required to report such transactions by filing a SAR in accordance with applicable agency regulations, even if they provide information over the FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS HOTLINE. Financial institutions are reminded that oral disclosures of suspicious activity made through the HOTLINE are subject to the same safe harbor from liability that applies when completing a SAR. This HOTLINE is intended to provide to law enforcement and other authorized recipients of SAR information the essence of the suspicious activity in an expedited fashion. The HOTLINE use is voluntary and does not negate an institution's responsibility to file a SAR in accordance with applicable regulations.

Even if not currently covered by the suspicious activity reporting requirements in Title 31, institutions such as casinos and securities firms are encouraged to use the FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS HOTLINE to report suspicious activity that may relate to recent terrorist activity and to file a SAR form.

Since the HOTLINE has been activated, depository institutions as well as insurance agencies, securities firms, and MSBs, among others, have utilized it to report suspicious activity.

Callers are reminded that the FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS HOTLINE is only for reporting suspicious activity that may be terrorist related. If general guidance is needed regarding the completion or filing of a SAR, the requestor should contact its primary regulator or call FinCEN's Regulatory Helpline at 1-800-949-2732.

## Expansion of SAR and Other Anti-Money Laundering Compliance Requirements to New Industries

On October 26, 2001, shortly after the last SAR Activity Review was published, President Bush signed into law the USA PATRIOT Act, ${ }^{19}$ the most significant expansion of the nation's anti-money laundering laws since 1986, when Congress first made the act of money laundering a federal criminal offense. ${ }^{20}$

Among other things, USA PATRIOT Act gives the Treasury Department authority to issue rules extending anti-money laundering requirements to virtually all businesses that provide financial services to the public. Some of these rules have already been issued and are summarized below. The remaining rules are expected to go into effect no later than a year after the law's enactment (i.e., October 26, 2002). [Although not mandated by the Act, rules requiring certain money services businesses (MSBs) to file suspicious activity reports went into effect on January 1, 2002. In addition, Treasury is in the process of extending similar requirements to casinos and card clubs.]

## Compliance Program Requirements

Section 352(a) of the Act requires every financial institution under the Bank Secrecy Act (BSA) ${ }^{21}$, unless exempted by the Secretary of the Treasury, to establish anti-money programs in an effort to assist the government's efforts to prevent, detect and prosecute international money laundering activity and the financing of terrorism.

On April 23, 2002, FinCEN issued the first set of regulations implementing Section 352. These new rules require: 1) mutual funds; 2) operators of credit card systems; and 3) money services businesses to implement an anti-money laundering program by July 24, 2002. While the rules do not prescribe identical requirements, each one identifies the following four (4) minimum components of the anti-money laundering program: 1) implementation of procedures and internal controls designed to prevent and detect money laundering or the financing of terrorist activities; 2) designation of a compliance officer with the responsibility and sufficient authority to assure that the firm's anti-money laundering program is

[^13]operating effectively; 3) training of appropriate personnel concerning their responsibilities under the program; and 4) a periodic and independent audit to determine the firm's compliance with anti-money laundering laws and regulations and the firm's anti-money laundering program.

A fourth rule ${ }^{22}$, also issued on April 29, 2002, clarifies that banks, savings associations, credit unions, registered brokers and dealers in securities, futures commission merchants, casinos and card clubs, will continue to be subject to rules issued by FinCEN, federal banking agencies, or self-regulatory organizations, whomever their respective regulator may be, which already require that these businesses maintain anti-money laundering compliance programs. ${ }^{23}$

This rule also defers until no later than October 24, 2002, the application of Section 352 to all other financial institutions under the BSA in order to allow Treasury time to study these new industry segments and to develop regulations applicable to their potential level of money laundering or terrorist finance abuse.

The businesses subject to further study include dealers in precious metals, stones or jewels; pawnbrokers; loan or finance companies; private bankers (those that are not already subject to BSA regulatory requirements because of their status as a bank or broker-dealer); insurance companies; travel agencies; telegraph companies; automobile, airplane or boat sellers; persons involved in real estate closings and settlements; investment companies other than mutual funds; and commodity pool operators and commodity trading advisors. ${ }^{24}$

## Expansion of SAR Requirements

FinCEN is in the process of expanding SAR requirements to several new financial institutions and will be studying additional industries for future SAR requirements.

[^14]As noted above, on January 1, 2002, money transmitters and businesses that issue, sell or redeem money orders or traveler's checks became subject to new SAR requirements. On July 1, 2002, FinCEN issued a final rule extending the SAR requirement to securities broker-dealers, which will be effective on January 1, 2003. In a related matter, FinCEN is also studying the feasibility and need to extend SAR reporting to the futures and mutual fund industries.

FinCEN has also taken steps to finalize rules, which would place casinos and card clubs under a SAR regime. FinCEN first proposed this requirement in 1998. ${ }^{25}$ After considering numerous comments on several key aspects of the rule, on March 29, 2002, FinCEN published a request for additional comments and provided guidance on the intended scope of the rule. ${ }^{26}$ FinCEN intends to issue a final rule for these two industries before the end of 2002. Comments on the renoticed SAR rule were due on May 28, 2002.

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## Section 7 - Issues \& Guidance

This section of the SAR Activity Review discusses current issues of common interest raised with regard to the preparation and filing of SARs. This section is intended to identify SAR-related issues and then provide meaningful guidance to filers. In addition, the section reflects the collective positions of the government agencies that require organizations to file SARs.

## Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC)

The Office of Foreign Asset Control (OFAC), among other things, provides financial institutions with instructions regarding the freezing and blocking of funds related to individuals and entities on OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals List. For information or guidance required in connection with OFAC, including information regarding the Specially Designated Nationals List, financial institutions should contact OFAC at its hotline (1-800-540-6322) or on-line at www.treas.gov/ofac.

## Advanced Fee Schemes

Many institutions are now the recipients of solicitations for advanced fee schemes, which have commonly been referred to as Nigerian, West African or 419 advanced fee schemes. A determination as to whether a SAR should be filed is that of the institution that receives the solicitation.

Financial institutions should be aware that the United States Secret Service (USSS) has dedicated resources to this issue. If a financial institution receives an "advanced fee scheme" letter through the mail, e-mail, or fax, and the institution has not initiated any contact with law enforcement or the perpetrators of the attempted fraud, the letter should be forwarded to USSS using one of the following methods:

- e-mail to: 419.fcd@usss.treas.gov
- fax to: (202) 406-5031; or,
- mail to: United States Secret Service, Financial Crimes Division, 950 H Street, Suite 5300, NW, Washington, D.C., 20373-5802, (ATTN: 419)

If, however, the financial institution has been victimized by one of these schemes, all written documentation should be mailed to the USSS at the above address and a call should be placed to the agency at (202) 406-5850.

In response to this growing epidemic, USSS established "Operation 4-1-9" designed to target "advance fee fraud schemes" on an international basis. The USSS' Financial Crimes Division receives approximately 100 telephone calls from victims/potential victims, and 300 to 500 pieces of related correspondence per day. Additional information concerning the USSS' efforts to combat this scheme can be found on the Internet at www.treas.gov/usss/ financial_crimes.shtml\#Nigerian. Another point of reference is a report prepared by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs entitled "Nigerian Advance Fee Fraud," which can be found at www.travel.state.gov.

The determination whether to file a SAR with respect to a particular transaction or other activity must be made by the financial institution.

## SAR Disclosure as Part of Civil Litigation

The possible disclosure of a SAR as part of discovery in civil litigation has been a recurring issue. The federal financial institution supervisors, as well as FinCEN, have always maintained that a request for the disclosure of a SAR in civil litigation pursuant to the federal discovery rules should be denied and the institution should identify for the court the relevant provisions of Title 31, Section 5318(g) of the United States Code (the BSA provision that prohibits disclosure). (However, institutions should never disobey the order of a court to make the disclosure, although they should appeal an adverse order and seek a stay when possible.)

Two recent cases support the position that discovery in civil cases does not require the production or disclosure of a SAR. In one case ${ }^{27}$, a discovery demand for SARs was made, notwithstanding the language in the Office of Thrift Supervision's (OTS) SAR regulation ${ }^{28}$ barring any disclosure of a SAR filing or information contained therein. The bank had objected to the discovery demand for SARs so the plaintiff filed a motion to compel production of SARs, and, subsequently, the OTS submitted a letter to the court in support of the bank's position. The court denied the motion for discovery finding that the SAR regulations establish an unqualified privilege against discovery. The court held that even though the statute only prohibits notice of the SAR filing to persons involved in the transaction, the production of the SAR in discovery would increase the likelihood that the person involved in the transaction would receive notice of the SAR filing.

[^16]Similarly, in another case ${ }^{29}$, the court upheld a lower court's issuance of a protective order against the discovery of the SARs, relying on the nondisclosure provisions of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency's (OCC) regulation. ${ }^{30}$

It should be noted, however, that while there is now further judicial support for the proposition that SARs are not subject to disclosure in civil litigation, this does not apply to the underlying documentation (such as account statements, wire transfer records, etc.) that may evidence suspicious activity. In fact, in one of the cases the court specifically held that the prohibition from disclosure covered the SAR but not the underlying documentation. ${ }^{31}$

An institution that finds itself in the position as described herein should notify the court of the prohibition from disclosure and also, pursuant to the regulations of the federal financial institution supervisory agencies, notify its federal supervisor, or, if it has no such supervisor, notify FinCEN, that such a demand has been made.

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## Section 8 - Industry Forum

In each issue of the SAR Activity Review, representatives from the financial services industry offer insights into some aspect of compliance management or fraud prevention that presents their view of how they implement the BSA within their institution. Although the Industry Forum Section provides an opportunity for the industry to share its views, the information provided in it may not represent the official position of the regulators. In this issue, the ABA offers an article entitled "Money Laundering, Terrorism, \& Fraud." It appeared in the March/ April 2002 issue of ABA Bank Compliance:

## The Safe-Harbor Protection for Employment References: A Long-Awaited Tool To Deter Money Laundering, Terrorism \& Fraud

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On October 26, 2001, President George W. Bush signed the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required To Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act (USA PATRIOT Act of 2001). In so doing, the President developed new tools and imposed additional requirements on the federal government and the financial services industry to address the dual threats of terrorism and money laundering. While some of the act's changes will impose additional burdens on financial institutions, others will protect them and their employees from liability when they take steps to keep dishonest individuals out of the financial services industry.

The USA PATRIOT Act expands the safe harbor that currently protects banks and their employees from being held liable when they file suspicious activities reports with the federal government. It also, for the first time, protects an expanded list of financial institutions and their employees when they make disclosures in certain employee references. Note 1

## PREDICATE FOR THE LEGISLATION

Congress had previously given federal regulators appropriate remedies to remove and bar dishonest individuals from the banking industry. Regulators have the statutory power to commence a formal administrative action to remove and ban bank employees and officials when it can be established that they have violated their positions of trust. Likewise, existing statutes permit regulators to summarily
suspend bank personnel if they are indicted for crimes of dishonesty, breaches of trust, or money laundering. Also, a person convicted of such a crime is, by operation of law, barred from serving in a depository institution, unless he or she has prior approval of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Through its 1989 passage of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act, Congress attempted to strengthen the removal statute by mandating that if an individual was removed from one depository institution, he or she would be barred from any other depository institution.

If an individual is barred from banking for any of these reasons, it is illegal for a bank to employ that individual. If a bank or individual knowingly violates this prohibition, they are subject to criminal prosecution or a civil money penalty up to $\$ 1$ million for each day the violation continues.

While the existing statutory remedies are helpful, they are only effective if a formal action or prosecution has been taken against the individual. These provisions do not address situations in which there was no prosecution or regulatory sanctions of the individual.

To avoid committing such a violation and to protect themselves from employee abuse, financial institutions must have a due diligence program to evaluate the background of individuals before they are employed. One of the major sources of information an institution should check before employing someone is prior employment records.

For years the industry and its regulators have been concerned about the problem that is created when a person is terminated from an institution for being involved in wrongdoing but is not prosecuted. Subsequently, that person could become employed at another institution without the second institution learning about the problems at the first. Until now, banks have been reluctant to share such adverse information about former employees for fear that they might be sued for providing the facts of the wrongdoing that caused the termination.

In previous years Congress and the regulators have addressed this concern. In testimony given on June 11, 1998, before the Committee on Banking and Financial Services of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Comptroller of the Currency's Office supported the goals of the legislative proposals before the committee, specifically:
the expansion of the statutory 'safe harbor' for banks and individuals that report potential crimes and suspicious transactions, and the creation of a
new 'safe harbor' for banks and individuals who share information in an employment reference about a prospective employee's possible involvement in a violation of law or a suspicious transaction. Banks and their employees must feel free to report suspicious transactions, and to share information in the employment context about individuals involved in misconduct, without fear of liability.... Note 2

Although the committee approved a provision dealing with the issue, the legislation never became law.

The issue was again brought up in the legislative debates on the Money Laundering Act of 2000 (the predecessor of the USA PATRIOT Act). In testimony before the Subcommittee on Crime of the Committee of the Judiciary, the American Bankers Association's senior counsel and compliance manager, John Byrne, pointed out the limitations banks have faced in disclosing the facts regarding former employees who have been terminated for committing fraud. Note 3 Clearly, one of the major obstacles has been the fear and cost of responding to litigation. To address this concern, Byrne noted, about a dozen states already had provided for liability protection to employers who responded to requests for references, including when they advised that an individual had been suspected of criminal wrongdoing.

## LEGISLATIVE CHANGE

To address the industry's concerns about potential litigation, Congress passed a provision in the USA PATRIOT Act that, for the first time, gives financial institutions and their employees a "qualified" safe harbor protection from liability when they provide information to another institution about a former employee's employment record. This provision deals with information regarding former employees, not customers. Note 4 To come within the act's protection, banks must strictly comply with its provisions. The requirements mandate that the disclosure be in writing and be in response to a request from another institution. The protection only exists for disclosures between financial institutions, including uninsured branches and agencies of foreign banks.

Although the statute does not mandate disclosures between institutions, it does protect an institution and its employees if a disclosure is made. The protection also covers written termination notices or employment references that are provided pursuant to rules of a self-regulatory organization registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

We refer to this as a "qualified" safe harbor because the USA PATRIOT Act's provision amending the FDIC Act provides that any disclosure made with "malicious intent" will not be shielded from liability. While this provision is only in the section of the act dealing with disclosures between "depository institutions," out of an abundance of caution, all financial institutions should be concerned that this factor will be read into their safe harbor.

## EFFECT ON FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Because the statute provides that maliciousness would defeat the safe harbor, it can be easily assumed that when a person sues an institution or individual for "defamation" or other tort stemming from an employment reference, there will be an allegation of malice. Note 5 Such a claim would probably allege that the bank or its employees made the employment reference out of personal animosity and without a true factual basis. Generally, because the question of malice will hinge on the facts of each case, a bank probably will not be able to merely obtain a summary judgment or a dismissal of a suit. Note 6 To defeat such allegations, a financial institution or person sued will be required to defend the action by establishing that its actions and responses were made without malice. This will become a debate on the facts and could involve substantial discovery.

In order to ensure that the Act's safe harbor protects financial institutions and their employees, it is strongly advised that the language of the statute be followed literally and that institutions set up detailed processes to handle employment record requests. If the issue of malice is raised, the institution can point to its strict compliance not only with the statute but also with its established policies and procedures.

Among the actions an institution should take to support the argument that an employment reference was made in accordance with the act and without malice are the following:

- The handling of the requests for information should be centralized and if possible reviewed by counsel. This will help rebut the contention that the person making the reference had a personal dislike or intent to injure him. It would also provide for a separate set of eyes to review the particular matter and make an independent determination consistent with prior matters. Such a process should lead to more objective and less personalized references.
- The response must be in writing and in response to a request from another financial institution. Although the act does not state that the request be in writing, to ensure that there is no question that a request was made - and to avoid the contention that the "referring bank" made the reference with
malice because it was not "requested" - a written request should be obtained. Having this on file would lend credibility to the argument that there was no malicious intent involved.
- The disclosure is made only in a situation in which a SAR or report has already been filed. The regulations of the agencies require that financial institutions file a SAR when they suspect violations of law or suspicious activities involving amounts of money greater than $\$ 5,000$, unless the individual is an insider in the institution - in which instance there is no dollar limit. Because institutions should have a review process to determine whether a SAR should be filed, this should be another independent indication to help refute the allegation of personal animosity toward the individual.
- The response cannot disclose that a SAR has been filed but can contain the allegations made in the SAR. A SAR is considered a confidential document and the fact that one has been filed cannot be disclosed.
- The response should recite accurate facts without the use of pejorative words or speculation. This is one of the most important considerations in making a reference. It is where personal animosity could be detected, especially if the reference was spiced with incriminating, highly charged facts that ultimately prove to be inaccurate. An undisputed recitation of the facts as to what transpired is the safest course. There probably should be no suggestion of what the requesting bank should do about hiring the individual (i.e., there is no benefit in telling the requesting bank that it should not hire the individual - the facts should speak for themselves).
- Records should be maintained to show that the review of the request was handled in accordance with bank processes and with appropriate review. Copies of any memoranda summarizing a decision to file the SAR and the reference, together with the incoming request, should be maintained to establish that the matter was handled in accordance with normal bank procedures and without personal animosity toward one individual. Financial institutions should try to obtain a written admission from the offending employee. This should be part of the supporting documentation and filed with the bank records.


## CONCLUSION

While the USA PATRIOT Act's creation of the safe harbor for employment references is important and institutions should be encouraged to provide accurate and truthful reports, it is also important that financial institutions establish an internal process to ensure that the protections are maintained. Without such a process, it may be difficult for an institution to defeat a claim that information was provided with malice toward the former employee and avail itself of the act's safe harbor protection.

## Notes:

1. See Sections 351 and 355 [ 351 amends the present 31 USC 5318(g)(3), and 355 amends the FDIC Act by adding section (w) to 12 USC 1828].
2. See testimony of Robert B. Serino, Deputy Chief Counsel, Comptroller of the Currency, before the Committee on Banking and Financial Services of the U.S. House of Representatives, June 11, 1998, concerning markup of H.R. 4005 (Money Laundering Deterrence Act of 1998) and H.R. 1756 (Money Laundering and Financial Crimes Strategy Act of 1997).
3. Hearing before the Subcommittee on Crime of the Committee on the Judiciary, U.S. House of Representatives, on February 10, 2000. The testimony covered several issues presented in The Money Laundering Act of 2000 and also focused the subcommittee on the employment reference provision.
4. The sharing of customer information would be covered by the provisions of the Fair Credit Reporting Act and the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, and this safe harbor would not protect them.
5. In several cases brought over the past few years, individuals have sued banks alleging that the banks, in making referrals to law enforcement, have violated the individuals' rights. In defending themselves, banks have contended that they were immune from liability for this disclosure under the "unqualified" safe harbor provisions of the Annunzio-Wylie Anti-Money Laundering Act. See 31 USC 5318 (g)(3)[SAR safe harbor]. In some early cases, courts found that there was a factual issue to determine if the banks had acted in bad faith and therefore in some cases did not grant the banks' motions for summary judgment or motions to dismiss. See Lopez v. First Union National Bank, 129 F.3rd 1186 (11th Cir.1997). Nevertheless, in the key case dealing with the breadth of the "suspicious activity report" safe harbor, the court in Lee v . Bankers Trust, 166 F.3d 540 (2d Cir., 1999), concluded that the plain language of the statute (and the congressional intent) did not require the
referral to be made in good faith. The court concluded, therefore, that there was no question of fact. See also Stoutt v. Banco Popular De Puerto Rico, 158 F.Supp 2d 167 (D.P.R July 24 2001). The absence of the language in the SAR safe harbor is in stark contrast to the specific language of Section 355 of the USA PATRIOT Act, where Congress specifically allows for malice to defeat the protection of the safe harbor.
6. Courts are reluctant to issue summary judgment where there are potential issues of motive and intent. See Stoutt v. Banco Popular De Puerto Rico, 158 F.Supp 2d 167 (D.P.R. July 24, 2001). However, "even in cases where elusive concepts such as motive or intent are at issue, summary judgment may be appropriate if the nonmoving party rests merely upon conclusory allegations, improbable inferences, and unsupported speculation." Ibid., citing AyalaGerena v. Brystol Myers-Squibb Co., 95 F.3d 86,95 (1st Cir. 1996).

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| 2002 | 4,594 | 6 | 857 | 190 | 26 | 6 | 77 | 357 | 13 | 22 | 175 | 21 | 118 | 47 | 47 | 150 | 38 | 63 | 589 |
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| 2001 | 2,058 | 7 | 1,195 | 289 | 94 | 37 | 75 | 442 | 28 | 168 | 114 | 44 | 400 | 126 | 144 | 183 | 90 | 115 | 542 |
| 2002 | 1,444 | 3 | 706 | 121 | 48 | 25 | 30 | 231 | 4 | 82 | 60 | 31 | 165 | 55 | 112 | 49 | 57 | 118 | 402 |
| Total | 7,915 | 54 | 5,741 | 1,406 | 448 | 68 | 494 | 1,830 | 81 | 381 | 633 | 182 | 1,773 | 546 | 678 | 626 | 737 | 354 | 2,375 |
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| 1999 | 462 | 2 | 198 | 68 | 14 | 0 | 33 | 103 | 0 | 4 | 18 | 7 | 104 | 24 | 34 | 6 | 72 | 2 | 141 |
| 2000 | 551 | 3 | 206 | 82 | 27 | 0 | 31 | 107 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 11 | 115 | 43 | 50 | 31 | 74 | 7 | 135 |
| 2001 | 687 | 5 | 282 | 80 | 21 | 5 | 36 | 129 | 2 | 6 | 27 | 5 | 120 | 39 | 58 | 32 | 83 | 26 | 163 |
| 2002 | 448 | 3 | 152 | 42 | 16 | 1 | 28 | 45 | 0 | 3 | 10 | 5 | 34 | 22 | 16 | 22 | 24 | 26 | 118 |
| Total | 2,952 | 15 | 1,107 | 428 | 114 | 6 | 199 | 432 | 6 | 19 | 117 | 41 | 631 | 192 | 219 | 105 | 354 | 72 | 866 |





| State／Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Maryland |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 235 | 0 | 121 | 37 | 9 | 0 | 10 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 1 | 55 | 19 | 10 | 15 | 23 | 6 | 40 |
| 1997 | 386 | 1 | 172 | 44 | 15 | 0 | 11 | 28 | 0 | 2 | 44 | 7 | 90 | 45 | 17 | 47 | 24 | 5 | 79 |
| 1998 | 600 | 0 | 143 | 51 | 9 | 0 | 18 | 55 | 0 | 7 | 57 | 10 | 107 | 37 | 21 | 48 | 29 | 6 | 94 |
| 1999 | 813 | 0 | 142 | 38 | 4 | 0 | 13 | 110 | 0 | 1 | 39 | 5 | 86 | 18 | 14 | 156 | 48 | 4 | 92 |
| 2000 | 893 | 0 | 291 | 63 | 9 | 0 | 20 | 193 | 3 | 2 | 26 | 17 | 138 | 49 | 27 | 290 | 54 | 8 | 160 |
| 2001 | 982 | 2 | 301 | 64 | 6 | 3 | 22 | 143 | 4 | 3 | 33 | 18 | 116 | 36 | 46 | 245 | 55 | 25 | 268 |
| 2002 | 626 | 2 | 164 | 34 | 5 | 2 | 8 | 112 | 1 | 2 | 14 | 9 | 56 | 14 | 9 | 169 | 31 | 8 | 189 |
| Total | 4，535 | 5 | 1，334 | 331 | 57 | 5 | 102 | 652 | 8 | 19 | 223 | 67 | 648 | 218 | 144 | 970 | 264 | 62 | 922 |
| Massachusetts |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 384 | 1 | 34 | 22 | 5 | 0 | 11 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 36 | 15 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 85 |
| 1997 | 760 | 2 | 223 | 65 | 12 | 0 | 16 | 41 | 0 | 3 | 26 | 6 | 98 | 34 | 39 | 22 | 19 | 13 | 92 |
| 1998 | 971 | 0 | 364 | 67 | 17 | 0 | 11 | 67 | 1 | 3 | 26 | 4 | 75 | 31 | 20 | 11 | 22 | 20 | 153 |
| 1999 | 1，681 | 2 | 316 | 69 | 19 | 0 | 15 | 89 | 7 | 7 | 33 | 14 | 76 | 30 | 28 | 9 | 24 | 22 | 105 |
| 2000 | 1，794 | 0 | 367 | 43 | 13 | 5 | 16 | 144 | 3 | 2 | 21 | 21 | 67 | 61 | 27 | 25 | 38 | 33 | 193 |
| 2001 | 1，422 | 2 | 579 | 61 | 23 | 4 | 38 | 118 | 6 | 5 | 31 | 15 | 103 | 86 | 37 | 27 | 33 | 29 | 276 |
| 2002 | 1，203 | 2 | 355 | 20 | 10 | 6 | 8 | 113 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 13 | 79 | 29 | 15 | 16 | 40 | 20 | 322 |
| Total | 8，215 | 9 | 2，238 | 347 | 99 | 15 | 115 | 598 | 19 | 22 | 143 | 77 | 534 | 286 | 173 | 116 | 184 | 140 | 1，226 |


| State/Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Michigan |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 206 | 3 | 195 | 119 | 10 | 0 | 33 | 41 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 10 | 108 | 25 | 28 | 5 | 55 | 3 | 130 |
| 1997 | 306 | 4 | 361 | 254 | 44 | 0 | 48 | 174 | 2 | 4 | 48 | 41 | 236 | 67 | 71 | 9 | 91 | 9 | 177 |
| 1998 | 274 | 7 | 365 | 225 | 36 | 0 | 42 | 308 | 2 | 4 | 83 | 23 | 254 | 86 | 92 | 12 | 100 | 5 | 183 |
| 1999 | 668 | 0 | 581 | 144 | 20 | 0 | 71 | 412 | 3 | 7 | 183 | 44 | 244 | 108 | 96 | 47 | 92 | 9 | 383 |
| 2000 | 1,033 | 2 | 773 | 172 | 50 | 1 | 84 | 447 | 10 | 9 | 45 | 58 | 283 | 199 | 111 | 412 | 111 | 22 | 345 |
| 2001 | 1,950 | 3 | 843 | 188 | 41 | 10 | 65 | 423 | 9 | 12 | 99 | 74 | 232 | 185 | 72 | 440 | 92 | 21 | 306 |
| 2002 | 810 | 1 | 382 | 111 | 16 | 5 | 26 | 140 | 4 | 7 | 61 | 23 | 125 | 74 | 27 | 116 | 42 | 18 | 230 |
| Total | 5,247 | 20 | 3,500 | 1,213 | 217 | 16 | 369 | 1,945 | 32 | 51 | 527 | 273 | 1,482 | 744 | 497 | 1,041 | 583 | 87 | 1,754 |
| Minnesota |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 562 | 1 | 130 | 29 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 32 | 15 | 22 | 2 | 22 | 2 | 44 |
| 1997 | 1,455 | 0 | 326 | 76 | 25 | 0 | 6 | 31 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 22 | 46 | 38 | 35 | 8 | 41 | 9 | 205 |
| 1998 | 1,181 | 2 | 560 | 87 | 25 | 0 | 15 | 71 | 2 | 4 | 17 | 22 | 68 | 31 | 30 | 0 | 29 | 5 | 130 |
| 1999 | 1,179 | 1 | 719 | 137 | 19 | 0 | 27 | 119 | 1 | 6 | 16 | 60 | 96 | 30 | 41 | 12 | 28 | 3 | 78 |
| 2000 | 1,588 | 8 | 578 | 116 | 41 | 0 | 33 | 156 | 2 | 8 | 26 | 54 | 92 | 45 | 75 | 11 | 60 | 11 | 100 |
| 2001 | 1,421 | 6 | 709 | 182 | 21 | 11 | 33 | 209 | 3 | 2 | 39 | 75 | 127 | 66 | 89 | 21 | 53 | 25 | 311 |
| 2002 | 1,158 | 3 | 180 | 60 | 21 | 2 | 9 | 56 | 0 | 2 | 25 | 10 | 61 | 53 | 18 | 11 | 10 | 15 | 302 |
| Total | 8,544 | 21 | 3,202 | 687 | 154 | 14 | 128 | 651 | 9 | 25 | 132 | 249 | 522 | 278 | 310 | 65 | 243 | 70 | 1,170 |



| State／Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Montana |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 22 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 10 |
| 1997 | 39 | 0 | 8 | 13 | 4 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 13 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 15 |
| 1998 | 48 | 0 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 11 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 15 |
| 1999 | 72 | 0 | 22 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 23 |
| 2000 | 124 | 0 | 23 | 20 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 21 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 17 |
| 2001 | 120 | 0 | 34 | 24 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 21 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 21 | 9 | 13 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 38 |
| 2002 | 41 | 0 | 7 | 7 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 22 |
| Total | 466 | 0 | 104 | 86 | 18 | 2 | 25 | 70 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 84 | 32 | 35 | 8 | 34 | 10 | 140 |
| Nebraska |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 53 | 2 | 28 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 19 |
| 1997 | 52 | 0 | 40 | 18 | 12 | 0 | 8 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 18 | 3 | 32 | 24 | 14 | 3 | 11 | 4 | 38 |
| 1998 | 114 | 0 | 50 | 22 | 9 | 0 | 11 | 7 | 5 | 0 | 23 | 2 | 18 | 23 | 8 | 4 | 9 | 3 | 40 |
| 1999 | 147 | 2 | 73 | 25 | 18 | 0 | 9 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 21 | 1 | 25 | 19 | 8 | 4 | 14 | 3 | 29 |
| 2000 | 294 | 1 | 110 | 55 | 14 | 0 | 16 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 5 | 42 | 19 | 25 | 4 | 16 | 3 | 49 |
| 2001 | 375 | 1 | 117 | 74 | 19 | 11 | 17 | 30 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 33 | 20 | 21 | 10 | 10 | 5 | 102 |
| 2002 | 210 | 1 | 65 | 19 | 14 | 52 | 8 | 18 | 0 | 2 | 54 | 4 | 18 | 37 | 10 | 1 | 8 | 42 | 128 |
| Total | 1，245 | 7 | 483 | 219 | 87 | 63 | 72 | 89 | 11 | 10 | 132 | 18 | 180 | 147 | 90 | 22 | 71 | 60 | 405 |


| State/Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Nevada |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 322 | 0 | 93 | 51 | 2 | 0 | 18 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 1 | 38 | 31 | 8 | 27 | 4 | 2 | 18 |
| 1997 | 619 | 0 | 183 | 67 | 5 | 0 | 417 | 52 | 2 | 4 | 11 | 5 | 63 | 27 | 13 | 12 | 5 | 7 | 66 |
| 1998 | 718 | 2 | 223 | 54 | 6 | 0 | 711 | 92 | 1 | 3 | 27 | 4 | 68 | 27 | 12 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 80 |
| 1999 | 867 | 0 | 275 | 50 | 16 | 0 | 446 | 157 | 5 | 8 | 47 | 10 | 66 | 25 | 20 | 14 | 13 | 4 | 97 |
| 2000 | 1,252 | 1 | 347 | 185 | 12 | 0 | 536 | 194 | 9 | 6 | 231 | 29 | 94 | 22 | 17 | 46 | 26 | 6 | 112 |
| 2001 | 1,564 | 1 | 416 | 428 | 6 | 6 | 18 | 173 | 7 | 9 | 217 | 18 | 57 | 17 | 9 | 12 | 28 | 6 | 225 |
| 2002 | 709 | 1 | 164 | 266 | 1 | 0 | 21 | 75 | 2 | 1 | 125 | 5 | 20 | 3 | 8 | 7 | 11 | 4 | 98 |
| Total | 6,051 | 5 | 1,701 | 1,101 | 48 | 6 | 2,167 | 750 | 26 | 32 | 669 | 72 | 406 | 152 | 87 | 119 | 92 | 32 | 696 |
| New <br> Hampshire |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 43 | 0 | 17 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 1997 | 61 | 0 | 236 | 69 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 165 | 3 | 19 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 15 |
| 1998 | 91 | 0 | 191 | 25 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 14 | 0 | 1 | 140 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 20 | 1 | 17 |
| 1999 | 105 | 3 | 250 | 37 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 21 | 0 | 146 | 1 | 15 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 25 | 0 | 20 |
| 2000 | 128 | 3 | 97 | 59 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 135 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 12 | 4 | 11 |
| 2001 | 108 | 5 | 153 | 17 | 2 | 2 | 10 | 14 | 37 | 1 | 548 | 6 | 11 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 9 | 6 | 391 |
| 2002 | 93 | 0 | 60 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 266 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 230 |
| Total | 629 | 11 | 1,004 | 217 | 11 | 2 | 21 | 51 | 64 | 4 | 1,403 | 20 | 68 | 21 | 27 | 13 | 72 | 14 | 687 |


| State/Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| New Jersey |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 343 | 1 | 174 | 20 | 4 | 0 | 9 | 36 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 71 | 24 | 18 | 13 | 41 | 7 | 149 |
| 1997 | 593 | 1 | 284 | 49 | 9 | 0 | 14 | 123 | 3 | 3 | 44 | 12 | 117 | 51 | 38 | 91 | 42 | 11 | 232 |
| 1998 | 1,058 | 1 | 317 | 68 | 25 | 0 | 22 | 134 | 2 | 9 | 35 | 10 | 144 | 31 | 22 | 226 | 76 | 9 | 275 |
| 1999 | 1,837 | 2 | 352 | 73 | 18 | 0 | 40 | 147 | 3 | 9 | 66 | 10 | 140 | 86 | 34 | 531 | 56 | 15 | 158 |
| 2000 | 2,388 | 0 | 669 | 88 | 14 | 2 | 38 | 197 | 26 | 8 | 68 | 22 | 225 | 53 | 42 | 104 | 73 | 26 | 336 |
| 2001 | 2,641 | 1 | 999 | 92 | 21 | 1 | 99 | 194 | 59 | 55 | 93 | 209 | 218 | 54 | 41 | 88 | 82 | 103 | 557 |
| 2002 | 1,921 | 7 | 357 | 99 | 23 | 2 | 49 | 139 | 1 | 5 | 22 | 20 | 106 | 38 | 19 | 26 | 28 | 49 | 273 |
| Total | 10,780 | 13 | 3,152 | 489 | 114 | 5 | 271 | 970 | 95 | 90 | 331 | 288 | 1,021 | 337 | 214 | 1,079 | 398 | 220 | 1,980 |
| New Mexico |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 75 | 0 | 35 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 29 | 7 | 11 | 3 | 14 | 0 | 25 |
| 1997 | 72 | 0 | 66 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 23 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 13 | 2 | 33 |
| 1998 | 128 | 1 | 45 | 27 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 30 | 4 | 11 | 0 | 21 | 3 | 14 |
| 1999 | 145 | 0 | 45 | 20 | 13 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 19 | 6 | 11 | 2 | 9 | 1 | 38 |
| 2000 | 172 | 1 | 53 | 15 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 16 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 24 | 9 | 13 | 2 | 11 | 2 | 43 |
| 2001 | 235 | 1 | 62 | 32 | 5 | 0 | 16 | 17 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 5 | 36 | 12 | 13 | 3 | 22 | 4 | 67 |
| 2002 | 194 | 3 | 37 | 23 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 17 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 3 | 19 | 27 |
| Total | 1,021 | 6 | 343 | 138 | 27 | 1 | 41 | 80 | 3 | 5 | 30 | 16 | 178 | 47 | 72 | 14 | 93 | 31 | 247 |


| State／Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| New York |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 2，448 | 17 | 578 | 201 | 39 | 0 | 33 | 199 | 5 | 24 | 23 | 17 | 174 | 53 | 41 | 22 | 61 | 23 | 601 |
| 1997 | 5，667 | 23 | 1，267 | 323 | 115 | 0 | 61 | 631 | 9 | 72 | 173 | 32 | 377 | 211 | 108 | 80 | 114 | 128 | 946 |
| 1998 | 7，971 | 13 | 1，474 | 365 | 106 | 0 | 70 | 966 | 4 | 70 | 124 | 22 | 301 | 220 | 91 | 41 | 118 | 136 | 1，297 |
| 1999 | 11，251 | 17 | 1，837 | 306 | 150 | 0 | 109 | 926 | 64 | 75 | 271 | 31 | 327 | 164 | 104 | 68 | 101 | 150 | 1，156 |
| 2000 | 13，751 | 21 | 1，892 | 288 | 105 | 5 | 153 | 950 | 41 | 94 | 216 | 43 | 288 | 137 | 80 | 170 | 91 | 182 | 1，192 |
| 2001 | 15，910 | 47 | 2，761 | 247 | 93 | 30 | 292 | 1，221 | 73 | 104 | 257 | 43 | 280 | 171 | 83 | 215 | 92 | 223 | 1，808 |
| 2002 | 9，046 | 22 | 1，006 | 112 | 53 | 3 | 92 | 633 | 27 | 56 | 132 | 30 | 166 | 84 | 46 | 58 | 51 | 153 | 1，035 |
| Total | 66，044 | 160 | 10，815 | 1，842 | 661 | 38 | 810 | 5，526 | 223 | 495 | 1，196 | 218 | 1，913 | 1，040 | 553 | 654 | 628 | 995 | 8，035 |
| North Carolina |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 317 | 1 | 113 | 69 | 3 | 0 | 8 | 22 | 0 | 3 | 78 | 0 | 57 | 16 | 23 | 3 | 32 | 5 | 75 |
| 1997 | 610 | 4 | 274 | 153 | 20 | 0 | 58 | 135 | 8 | 4 | 79 | 13 | 99 | 52 | 65 | 29 | 76 | 13 | 136 |
| 1998 | 831 | 1 | 273 | 146 | 18 | 0 | 49 | 173 | 5 | 6 | 176 | 31 | 123 | 52 | 52 | 27 | 96 | 12 | 188 |
| 1999 | 898 | 0 | 358 | 184 | 31 | 0 | 86 | 252 | 2 | 8 | 167 | 31 | 134 | 56 | 95 | 23 | 60 | 23 | 212 |
| 2000 | 1，216 | 2 | 404 | 204 | 26 | 0 | 124 | 262 | 0 | 8 | 56 | 7 | 139 | 64 | 83 | 143 | 78 | 25 | 252 |
| 2001 | 954 | 2 | 379 | 157 | 27 | 7 | 123 | 148 | 4 | 10 | 63 | 25 | 141 | 82 | 72 | 116 | 47 | 25 | 457 |
| 2002 | 596 | 11 | 163 | 118 | 11 | 2 | 66 | 94 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 62 | 25 | 29 | 50 | 22 | 24 | 297 |
| Total | 5，422 | 21 | 1，964 | 1，031 | 136 | 9 | 514 | 1，086 | 20 | 43 | 625 | 112 | 755 | 347 | 419 | 391 | 411 | 127 | 1，617 |


| State／Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Ohio |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 179 | 1 | 122 | 79 | 10 | 0 | 21 | 20 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 6 | 102 | 16 | 28 | 5 | 31 | 3 | 85 |
| 1997 | 379 | 1 | 318 | 232 | 17 | 0 | 66 | 59 | 8 | 8 | 199 | 20 | 201 | 25 | 51 | 6 | 77 | 6 | 185 |
| 1998 | 754 | 2 | 329 | 213 | 18 | 0 | 87 | 132 | 7 | 3 | 120 | 25 | 217 | 41 | 73 | 21 | 89 | 7 | 209 |
| 1999 | 639 | 10 | 399 | 262 | 29 | 0 | 106 | 212 | 4 | 7 | 151 | 22 | 217 | 69 | 99 | 53 | 98 | 16 | 210 |
| 2000 | 969 | 1 | 551 | 453 | 59 | 3 | 106 | 297 | 102 | 10 | 259 | 32 | 253 | 69 | 107 | 93 | 118 | 20 | 254 |
| 2001 | 1，393 | 6 | 594 | 342 | 86 | 16 | 124 | 274 | 157 | 15 | 446 | 22 | 219 | 115 | 124 | 417 | 123 | 57 | 435 |
| 2002 | 787 | 4 | 369 | 136 | 49 | 3 | 122 | 184 | 57 | 8 | 87 | 14 | 79 | 39 | 46 | 107 | 71 | 55 | 240 |
| Total | 5，100 | 25 | 2，682 | 1，717 | 268 | 22 | 632 | 1，178 | 335 | 56 | 1，275 | 141 | 1，288 | 374 | 528 | 702 | 607 | 164 | 1，618 |
| Oklahoma |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 124 | 0 | 23 | 73 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 31 |
| 1997 | 211 | 3 | 59 | 63 | 28 | 0 | 11 | 16 | 1 | 4 | 8 | 5 | 41 | 21 | 15 | 0 | 19 | 2 | 54 |
| 1998 | 174 | 0 | 81 | 54 | 36 | 0 | 7 | 14 | 0 | 4 | 13 | 4 | 48 | 14 | 17 | 2 | 14 | 16 | 65 |
| 1999 | 247 | 0 | 138 | 61 | 34 | 0 | 33 | 38 | 0 | 4 | 11 | 11 | 72 | 40 | 18 | 6 | 16 | 6 | 84 |
| 2000 | 293 | 1 | 140 | 65 | 31 | 1 | 16 | 45 | 1 | 6 | 28 | 8 | 85 | 32 | 39 | 6 | 31 | 3 | 129 |
| 2001 | 329 | 2 | 125 | 59 | 22 | 5 | 12 | 42 | 0 | 2 | 29 | 6 | 75 | 32 | 15 | 15 | 31 | 14 | 140 |
| 2002 | 205 | 2 | 55 | 23 | 20 | 1 | 11 | 21 | 0 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 29 | 12 | 17 | 6 | 15 | 14 | 137 |
| Total | 1，583 | 8 | 621 | 398 | 183 | 7 | 92 | 182 | 3 | 27 | 97 | 34 | 372 | 159 | 130 | 35 | 135 | 56 | 640 |



| State/Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1996 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1997 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1998 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1999 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2000 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2001 | 1 | 0 |  | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 2002 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 1 | 0 |  | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |


| State/Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Pennsylvania |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 459 | 1 | 164 | 67 | 4 | 0 | 25 | 62 | 0 | 3 | 11 | 10 | 54 | 24 | 16 | 10 | 34 | 10 | 98 |
| 1997 | 952 | 5 | 496 | 124 | 23 | 0 | 34 | 236 | 4 | 4 | 72 | 24 | 142 | 59 | 59 | 20 | 83 | 24 | 212 |
| 1998 | 975 | 1 | 393 | 110 | 27 | 0 | 36 | 201 | 1 | 4 | 44 | 16 | 114 | 38 | 41 | 35 | 45 | 17 | 258 |
| 1999 | 1,740 | 0 | 475 | 122 | 24 | 0 | 53 | 192 | 14 | 9 | 59 | 23 | 128 | 39 | 43 | 47 | 50 | 17 | 241 |
| 2000 | 1,605 | 2 | 528 | 149 | 29 | 1 | 76 | 219 | 5 | 6 | 47 | 43 | 221 | 64 | 53 | 80 | 70 | 9 | 261 |
| 2001 | 1,995 | 4 | 632 | 206 | 34 | 25 | 58 | 230 | 8 | 13 | 105 | 39 | 227 | 75 | 83 | 64 | 68 | 38 | 439 |
| 2002 | 1,596 | 5 | 339 | 104 | 19 | 9 | 30 | 195 | 10 | 4 | 51 | 29 | 97 | 35 | 34 | 47 | 27 | 32 | 365 |
| Total | 9,322 | 18 | 3,027 | 882 | 160 | 35 | 312 | 1,335 | 42 | 43 | 389 | 184 | 983 | 334 | 329 | 303 | 377 | 147 | 1,874 |
| Puerto Rico |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 95 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 10 | 6 | 13 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 9 |
| 1997 | 475 | 0 | 21 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 15 | 3 | 13 | 7 | 15 | 0 | 7 | 4 | 11 |
| 1998 | 348 | 2 | 20 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 6 | 15 | 5 | 14 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 44 |
| 1999 | 234 | 0 | 23 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 12 | 4 | 15 | 14 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 23 |
| 2000 | 629 | 7 | 161 | 33 | 6 | 1 | 25 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 72 | 39 | 27 | 33 | 14 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 59 |
| 2001 | 983 | 2 | 66 | 22 | 1 | 2 | 9 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 31 | 26 | 17 | 16 | 14 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 51 |
| 2002 | 509 | 0 | 69 | 24 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 14 | 8 | 12 | 11 | 13 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 26 |
| Total | 3,273 | 12 | 364 | 103 | 18 | 6 | 67 | 34 | 9 | 7 | 159 | 86 | 109 | 92 | 86 | 12 | 37 | 23 | 223 |


| State/Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Rhode Island |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 70 | 0 | 23 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 10 |
| 1997 | 127 | 0 | 51 | 14 | 3 | 0 | 10 | 22 | 0 | 2 | 30 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 22 |
| 1998 | 136 | 0 | 48 | 16 | 2 | 0 | 15 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 19 |
| 1999 | 255 | 0 | 55 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 20 |
| 2000 | 281 | 0 | 82 | 19 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 20 | 1 | 2 | 28 | 7 | 26 | 4 | 8 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 22 |
| 2001 | 226 | 0 | 104 | 15 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 21 | 3 | 1 | 27 | 1 | 20 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 25 |
| 2002 | 212 | 1 | 72 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 6 | 11 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 1 | 12 |
| Total | 1,307 | 1 | 435 | 83 | 11 | 1 | 47 | 114 | 4 | 5 | 214 | 19 | 76 | 38 | 23 | 15 | 46 | 2 | 130 |
| South Carolina |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 139 | 0 | 28 | 18 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 25 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 22 |
| 1997 | 229 | 1 | 75 | 33 | 10 | 0 | 16 | 21 | 0 | 2 | 13 | 3 | 61 | 18 | 23 | 12 | 37 | 3 | 52 |
| 1998 | 260 | 0 | 57 | 34 | 4 | 0 | 11 | 33 | 0 | 1 | 14 | 3 | 29 | 9 | 17 | 102 | 18 | 0 | 51 |
| 1999 | 304 | 3 | 64 | 32 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 43 | 1 | 1 | 18 | 3 | 50 | 13 | 27 | 31 | 36 | 4 | 60 |
| 2000 | 300 | 1 | 140 | 57 | 7 | 0 | 14 | 51 | 1 | 1 | 21 | 2 | 36 | 13 | 16 | 38 | 18 | 4 | 60 |
| 2001 | 357 | 0 | 141 | 58 | 13 | 0 | 16 | 55 | 1 | 5 | 35 | 9 | 59 | 21 | 22 | 26 | 33 | 8 | 105 |
| 2002 | 261 | 0 | 78 | 41 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 24 | 9 | 10 | 13 | 16 | 10 | 72 |
| Total | 1,850 | 5 | 583 | 273 | 38 | 0 | 87 | 239 | 3 | 11 | 111 | 24 | 284 | 92 | 119 | 222 | 171 | 29 | 422 |


| State/Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| South Dakota |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 8 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 258 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 4 |
| 1997 | 58 | 0 | 19 | 11 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 308 | 0 | 10 |  | 3 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 15 |
| 1998 | 81 | 1 | 33 | 78 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 292 | 3 | 10 | 14 | 14 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 21 |
| 1999 | 72 | 2 | 301 | 18 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 10 | 86 | 2 | 125 | 2 | 18 | 9 | 16 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 25 |
| 2000 | 81 | 0 | 32 | 26 | 13 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 46 | 1 | 29 | 0 | 12 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 11 | 3 | 22 |
| 2001 | 117 | 1 | 54 | 40 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 14 | 68 | 8 | 109 | 0 | 21 | 14 | 7 | 1 | 12 | 4 | 58 |
| 2002 | 45 | 0 | 341 | 23 | 11 | 0 | 7 | 17 | 253 | 0 | 799 | 1 | 12 | 11 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 704 |
| Total | 462 | 4 | 785 | 199 | 55 | 1 | 28 | 56 | 459 | 15 | 1,920 | 6 | 88 | 66 | 47 | 1 | 53 | 12 | 849 |
| Tennessee |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 148 | 1 | 61 | 98 | 10 | 0 | 15 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 53 | 14 | 15 | 0 | 27 | 2 | 45 |
| 1997 | 260 | 1 | 88 | 145 | 29 | 0 | 27 | 19 | 2 | 3 | 16 | 2 | 94 | 22 | 39 | 5 | 43 | 3 | 70 |
| 1998 | 305 | 2 | 128 | 80 | 20 | 0 | 34 | 38 | 0 | 5 | 12 | 8 | 109 | 64 | 47 | 7 | 24 | 4 | 104 |
| 1999 | 324 | 2 | 160 | 74 | 22 | 0 | 40 | 51 | 2 | 2 | 26 | 11 | 115 | 63 | 69 | 14 | 46 | 5 | 107 |
| 2000 | 771 | 4 | 176 | 96 | 29 | 4 | 43 | 63 | 1 | 7 | 30 | 6 | 115 | 54 | 56 | 39 | 46 | 7 | 194 |
| 2001 | 886 | 6 | 212 | 151 | 34 | 8 | 54 | 96 | 4 | 2 | 71 | 9 | 128 | 105 | 86 | 156 | 34 | 8 | 195 |
| 2002 | 1,071 | 2 | 95 | 63 | 28 | 0 | 12 | 32 | 6 | 2 | 28 | 3 | 47 | 38 | 27 | 85 | 24 | 4 | 101 |
| Total | 3,765 | 18 | 920 | 707 | 172 | 12 | 225 | 302 | 15 | 23 | 190 | 40 | 661 | 360 | 339 | 306 | 244 | 33 | 816 |



| State/Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Utah |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 27 | 0 | 29 | 16 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 121 | 0 | 15 | 7 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 22 |
| 1997 | 152 | 0 | 78 | 31 | 5 | 0 | 22 | 10 | 1 | 2 | 475 | 23 | 50 | 17 | 18 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 240 |
| 1998 | 312 | 1 | 69 | 28 | 2 | 0 | 15 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 449 | 10 | 58 | 21 | 19 | 65 | 10 | 9 | 368 |
| 1999 | 435 | 1 | 91 | 23 | 3 | 0 | 11 | 25 | 5 | 9 | 666 | 3 | 35 | 25 | 18 | 13 | 1 | 2 | 570 |
| 2000 | 630 | 0 | 148 | 50 | 8 | 0 | 13 | 45 | 7 | 5 | 1,203 | 44 | 39 | 83 | 23 | 33 | 13 | 6 | 1,147 |
| 2001 | 619 | 0 | 546 | 58 | 4 | 0 | 77 | 70 | 59 | 12 | 1,295 | 114 | 39 | 68 | 36 | 38 | 6 | 8 | 1,429 |
| 2002 | 302 | 0 | 246 | 82 | 6 | 1 | 112 | 24 | 25 | 1 | 515 | 13 | 17 | 14 | 20 | 10 | 3 | 9 | 648 |
| Total | 2,477 | 2 | 1,207 | 288 | 29 | 1 | 262 | 189 | 97 | 30 | 4,724 | 207 | 253 | 235 | 142 | 161 | 37 | 37 | 4,424 |
| Vermont |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 14 | 0 | 11 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| 1997 | 26 | 0 | 19 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 9 | 5 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| 1998 | 16 | 0 | 11 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 |
| 1999 | 19 | 0 | 4 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 6 |
| 2000 | 30 | 0 | 7 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| 2001 | 27 | 0 | 19 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 23 |
| 2002 | 26 | 0 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 11 |
| Total | 158 | 0 | 81 | 45 | 11 | 1 | 12 | 17 | 3 | 0 | 24 | 9 | 35 | 21 | 24 | 2 | 16 | 6 | 61 |


| State/Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Virginia |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 109 | 1 | 76 | 38 | 10 | 0 | 16 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 35 | 2 | 45 | 14 | 19 | 10 | 28 | 5 | 53 |
| 1997 | 325 | 0 | 262 | 138 | 11 | 0 | 68 | 55 | 5 | 8 | 208 | 3 | 124 | 61 | 49 | 27 | 32 | 11 | 110 |
| 1998 | 500 | 6 | 204 | 106 | 11 | 0 | 35 | 120 | 9 | 6 | 182 | 7 | 141 | 58 | 47 | 51 | 52 | 16 | 116 |
| 1999 | 490 | 1 | 184 | 115 | 10 | 0 | 35 | 93 | 22 | 2 | 172 | 8 | 124 | 35 | 75 | 37 | 73 | 54 | 121 |
| 2000 | 569 | 4 | 323 | 139 | 6 | 0 | 61 | 188 | 30 | 7 | 181 | 43 | 172 | 40 | 102 | 63 | 53 | 10 | 182 |
| 2001 | 973 | 2 | 413 | 162 | 7 | 7 | 196 | 137 | 33 | 7 | 511 | 32 | 148 | 83 | 78 | 91 | 58 | 40 | 305 |
| 2002 | 505 | 3 | 208 | 54 | 3 | 2 | 122 | 88 | 41 | 5 | 104 | 10 | 46 | 17 | 26 | 34 | 23 | 13 | 204 |
| Total | 3,471 | 17 | 1,670 | 752 | 58 | 9 | 533 | 694 | 141 | 35 | 1,393 | 105 | 800 | 308 | 396 | 313 | 319 | 149 | 1,091 |
| Washington |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 257 | 0 | 182 | 35 | 3 | 0 | 21 | 63 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 7 | 56 | 23 | 10 | 7 | 10 | 1 | 49 |
| 1997 | 636 | 1 | 481 | 114 | 7 | 0 | 48 | 147 | 4 | 1 | 33 | 62 | 134 | 45 | 20 | 19 | 9 | 6 | 95 |
| 1998 | 798 | 0 | 565 | 131 | 9 | 0 | 47 | 316 | 3 | 3 | 26 | 77 | 113 | 41 | 23 | 16 | 17 | 10 | 87 |
| 1999 | 1,194 | 1 | 935 | 126 | 9 | 0 | 46 | 545 | 1 | 0 | 34 | 27 | 92 | 63 | 18 | 22 | 19 | 56 | 113 |
| 2000 | 1,622 | 2 | 845 | 97 | 17 | 2 | 23 | 363 | 1 | 3 | 17 | 32 | 149 | 81 | 29 | 38 | 16 | 16 | 150 |
| 2001 | 1,602 | 3 | 882 | 158 | 9 | 2 | 58 | 342 | 26 | 6 | 37 | 66 | 131 | 86 | 43 | 52 | 19 | 15 | 244 |
| 2002 | 476 | 1 | 286 | 38 | 2 | 2 | 13 | 138 | 3 | 1 | 11 | 24 | 48 | 50 | 13 | 77 | 1 | 15 | 174 |
| Total | 6,585 | 8 | 4,176 | 699 | 56 | 6 | 256 | 1,914 | 39 | 17 | 166 | 295 | 723 | 389 | 156 | 231 | 91 | 119 | 912 |


| State/Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| West Virginia |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 12 | 2 | 9 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 15 | 0 | 15 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 23 |
| 1997 | 25 | 4 | 16 | 22 | 6 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 24 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 37 |
| 1998 | 27 | 0 | 22 | 20 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 14 | 2 | 26 | 7 | 143 | 486 | 14 | 2 | 525 |
| 1999 | 31 | 0 | 22 | 15 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 28 | 10 | 222 | 488 | 9 | 0 | 581 |
| 2000 | 37 | 0 | 25 | 24 | 5 | 0 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 33 | 3 | 7 | 3 | 15 | 1 | 24 |
| 2001 | 55 | 0 | 12 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 28 |
| 2002 | 20 | 0 | 20 | 9 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 16 |
| Total | 207 | 6 | 126 | 106 | 30 | 3 | 45 | 41 | 5 | 2 | 49 | 11 | 148 | 29 | 389 | 977 | 58 | 9 | 1,234 |
| Wisconsin |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 97 | 1 | 62 | 20 | 9 | 0 | 4 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 43 | 8 | 12 | 2 | 15 | 1 | 37 |
| 1997 | 203 | 1 | 95 | 49 | 16 | 0 | 6 | 17 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 6 | 70 | 16 | 21 | 10 | 30 | 2 | 55 |
| 1998 | 269 | 1 | 103 | 51 | 23 | 0 | 12 | 30 | 0 | 3 | 22 | 4 | 86 | 20 | 17 | 1 | 17 | 3 | 59 |
| 1999 | 301 | 0 | 107 | 55 | 9 | 0 | 15 | 57 | 0 | 4 | 25 | 8 | 90 | 8 | 26 | 10 | 21 | 5 | 77 |
| 2000 | 379 | 2 | 182 | 57 | 18 | 2 | 14 | 78 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 8 | 109 | 18 | 30 | 11 | 50 | 11 | 93 |
| 2001 | 431 | 1 | 222 | 101 | 30 | 4 | 30 | 74 | 1 | 10 | 40 | 10 | 116 | 45 | 34 | 14 | 49 | 15 | 189 |
| 2002 | 209 | 2 | 107 | 44 | 5 | 0 | 13 | 32 | 0 | 12 | 7 | 7 | 40 | 10 | 26 | 8 | 19 | 14 | 85 |
| Total | 1,889 | 8 | 878 | 377 | 110 | 6 | 94 | 295 | 6 | 40 | 117 | 45 | 554 | 125 | 166 | 56 | 201 | 51 | 595 |


| State/Territory | Violation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Wyoming |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 1997 | 10 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 5 |
| 1998 | 25 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| 1999 | 12 | 0 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| 2000 | 26 | 0 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 7 |
| 2001 | 37 | 0 | 30 | 25 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 60 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 30 |
| 2002 | 19 | 0 | 10 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 12 |
| Total | 134 | 0 | 67 | 48 | 15 | 0 | 5 | 21 | 2 | 1 | 70 | 3 | 54 | 22 | 15 | 8 | 15 | 5 | 66 |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Statistics generated for this study were based on the Document Control Number (DCN) of each record within the SAR system. The DCN is a unique number assigned to each SAR submitted. Numeric discrepancies between total number of filings and the combined number of filings of states and/or territories are a result of multiple filers listed on one or more SARs.

[^1]:    ${ }^{2}$ All percentages are approximate.

[^2]:    ${ }^{3}$ All percentages are approximate.
    ${ }^{4}$ Separate box for this violation was added to form TD F 90-22.47 in June 2000. Statistics date from that period.

[^3]:    ${ }^{5}$ Separate box for this violation was added to form TD F 90-22.47 in June 2000. Statistics date from that period.

[^4]:    ${ }^{6}$ Unspecified regulator indicates that the SAR form was filed by a non-bank financial institution that is not directly supervised by one of the five agencies listed above. Such entities that have no regulatory requirements for the relevant periods that mandate SAR filings include, but are not limited to: money services businesses, insurance companies, and securities broker/dealers who are not affiliated with banks.

[^5]:    ${ }^{7}$ Some SARs may reference making referrals to multiple law enforcement agencies.
    ${ }^{8}$ City, County, or State.
    ${ }^{9}$ Includes referrals stating law firm, corporate security, etc.
    ${ }^{10}$ Includes referrals made to Interpol.

[^6]:    11 Excerpted from the Statement for the Record, Before the House Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, February 12, 2002, by Dennis M. Lormel, Chief, Financial Crimes Section, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

[^7]:    12 Pursuant to Section 6(j) of the Export Administration Act of 1979, the Departments of State and Commerce have designated the following countries as state sponsors of terrorism: Cuba, Iran, Iraq, Libya, North Korea, Sudan, and Syria. Further information about these designations is available at www.state.gov. Additional information about countries in which terrorists are highly active is available on that site in the State Department's Travel Warnings and Public Announcements page http://travel.state.gov/ warnings_list.html

[^8]:    13 FATF is an international organization, of which the U.S. is a member, established to combat money laundering. Among other things, FATF evaluates the adequacy of countries' counter-money laundering systems, and designates those that have inadequate systems as non-cooperative countries and territories (NCCTs). Currently, FATF lists as NCCTs the following: Cook Islands, Dominica, Egypt, Grenada, Guatemala, Indonesia, Marshall Islands, Myanmar, Nauru, Nigeria, Niue, Philippines, Russia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Ukraine.

[^9]:    14 Banks often file SARs that show the violation amount to be $\$ 0$. These SARs are usually filed on individuals who exhibit suspicious behavior during the course of conducting a transaction. For example, an individual may inquire as to the dollar limit of a particular transaction that will not exceed reporting requirements. When informed of the requirements, the individual may leave the bank without making the transaction, thereby arousing a teller's suspicions, resulting in a SAR filing.

[^10]:    15 OFAC designates and blocks the assets of specially designated global terrorists (SDGTs) - organizations and individuals engaged in international terrorism. For further information, see OFAC's website at www.ustreas.gov/ofac.

[^11]:    16 Also referred to as credit card checks.

[^12]:    17 The Gateway Program enables federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies to have direct, on-line access to records filed under the BSA.

[^13]:    19 Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (USA PATRIOT Act), Pub. L. No. 107-56 (2001).
    20 Money Laundering Control Act of 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-570 (1986).
    21 Bank Secrecy Act, Titles I and II of Pub. L. 91-508, as amended, codified at 12 U.S.C. 1829b, 12 U.S.C. 1951-1959, and 31 U.S.C., chapter 53, subchapter II.

[^14]:    2267 FR 21110 (April 29, 2002).
    23 See 12 CFR 21.21 (for institutions regulated by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency); 12 CFR 208.63 (for institutions regulated by the Federal Reserve Board); 12 CFR 326.8 (for institutions regulated by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; 12 CFR 563.177 (for institutions regulated by the Office of Thrift Supervisor); 12 CFR 748.2 (for institutions regulated by the National Credit Union Association); 67 FR 8565 (for broker-dealers registered with the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD)); 67 FR 8567 (for broker-dealers registered with the New York Stock Exchange); NFA Rule 2-9(c), April 23, 2002 (for futures firms registered with the National Futures Association); and 31 CFR 103.64 (for casinos and card clubs as defined under 31 CFR 103.11(n)(5) and (n)(6), respectively).regulated by the National Credit Union Association); 67 FR 8565 (for broker-dealers registered with the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD)); 67 FR 8567 (for broker-dealers registered with the New York Stock Exchange); NFA Rule 2-9(c), April 23, 2002 (for futures firms registered with the National Futures Association); and 31 CFR 103.64 (for casinos and card clubs as defined under 31 CFR 103.11(n)(5) and (n)(6), respectively).

    24 Investment bankers are not covered by this exemption because, as a depository institution or brokerdealer, they are already subject to anti-money laundering compliance program requirements pursuant to rules issued by their federal regulator or self-regulatory organization.

[^15]:    25 63 FR 27230 (May 18, 1998).
    67 FR 15138 (March 29, 2002).

[^16]:    27 Weil v. The Long Island Savings Bank, 2001 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 23408 (E.D.N.Y. 2001).
    2812 C.F.R. 563(d)(12).

[^17]:    29 Dubai Islamic Bank v. Citibank, 2001 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 18525 (S.D.N.Y. 2001).
    3012 CFR 21.11(k), and FinCEN's rule, 31 CFR 103.18.
    31 Weil v. The Long Island Savings Bank.

