

## **COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA**

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VIA EMAIL to <a href="mailto:reportdocs@dlas.virginia.gov">reportdocs@dlas.virginia.gov</a>

The Honorable Susan Clarke Schaar, Clerk Senate of Virginia P.O. Box 396 Richmond, Virginia 23218

The Honorable G. Paul Nardo, Clerk House of Delegates of Virginia P.O. Box 406 Richmond, Virginia 23218

Re: Virginia Code § 19.2-70

Dear Ms. Schaar and Mr. Nardo:

This letter is sent pursuant to Virginia Code § 19.2-70, regarding notification of intercept activity during calendar year 2025. No applications for the interception of wire, electronic, or oral communications were sought or authorized in 2025. No such applications were refused in 2025.

Following the authorization of two intercepts by a circuit court in 2023, fourteen persons were charged with offenses related to a conspiracy to distribute Schedule I and II controlled substances (twelve pursuant to both applications, two pursuant to only the second application). Our letter of December 27, 2024, reported resulting dispositions from calendar year 2024. Below, we provide updates from calendar year 2025, as required by Code § 19.2-70.

One defendant was convicted and sentenced in 2025, following the defendant's plea of no contest pursuant to a written plea agreement, for two counts of conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute a Schedule I or II controlled substance, conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute five kilograms or more of cocaine mixture, and unlawful participation in

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racketeering activity. Also in 2025, two counts of possession with the intent to distribute a Schedule I or II controlled substance and fourteen counts of money laundering against this defendant were nolle prossed.

A second defendant was convicted and sentenced in 2025, following the defendant's plea of no contest pursuant to a written plea agreement, for possession of ammunition by a convicted felon, unlawful participation in racketeering activity, and two counts of possession with the intent to distribute a Schedule I or II controlled substance, second offense. Also in 2025, a charge of conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute a Schedule I or II controlled substance against this defendant was nolle prossed, pursuant to the plea agreement.

A third defendant was convicted and sentenced in 2025, following the defendant's plea of no contest pursuant to a written plea agreement, for possession with the intent to distribute cocaine, unlawful participation in racketeering activity, and possession with the intent to distribute fentanyl, second offense. Also in 2025, six counts of unlawful possession of a firearm while in possession of a Schedule I or II controlled substance with the intent to distribute, one count of distribution of twenty or more grams of methamphetamine, and three counts of possession with the intent to distribute a Schedule I or II controlled substance, second offense, against this defendant were nolle prossed, pursuant to the plea agreement.

A fourth defendant was convicted and sentenced in 2025, following the defendant's guilty plea pursuant to a written plea agreement, for conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute a Schedule I or II controlled substance, money laundering, and unlawful participation in racketeering activity. Also in 2025, one count of transporting one ounce or more of a Schedule I or II controlled substance into the Commonwealth, one count of conspiracy to transport one ounce or more of a Schedule I or II controlled substance into the Commonwealth, and four counts of money laundering against this defendant were nolle prossed, pursuant to the plea agreement.

In 2025, all of the charges brought against four other defendants were nolle prossed. For one defendant, three counts of conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute a Schedule I or II controlled substance, five counts of money laundering, and one count of unlawful participation in racketing activity were nolle prossed. For a second defendant, one count of conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute a Schedule I or II controlled substance was nolle prossed. For the two remaining defendants, one count each of conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute a Schedule I or II controlled substance was nolle prossed.

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In future reports, we will supplement this information to address the disposition of pending charges.

Sincerely,

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