



**DIVISION OF INSURANCE FRAUD INVESTIGATION**  
**Kentucky Department of Insurance**  
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*Fraud Statistics/Convictions Activity*  
*October 2023*

<u>Fraud Statistics</u>	<u>Month/October</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Total Referrals Received.....	167	1,956
Closed Referrals.....	160	1,855
Open Cases (Investigations – includes prior years).....		175
Assigned Cases (Investigations).....	3	79
Closed Cases (Investigations).....	15	96
Closed Cases (Investigations) Exceptionally Cleared – Declined by Prosecutor.....		
Charges (0 felony, 0 misdemeanor) .....		47
Convictions (13 felony, 0 misdemeanor) .....	13	60
Restitution Ordered.....	\$ 3,078,543.56	4,127,624.82
Restitution Agreed.....	\$ .00	14,863.11
Restitution Total.....	\$ 3,078,543.56	4,142,487.93
Investigation Expenses to Division		
Awarded.....	\$ 1,500.00	21,109.65
Collected.....	\$ 90.41	9,640.11
DOI Fines.....	\$ .00	545.00
Administrative Subpoenas Issued.....		14
Non-Licensed Individuals.....		14
Licensed (active/inactive individuals).....		
Subpoenas Received.....	1	4
Compliance Received.....	106	1364
Anti-Fraud Plan.....	46	426
SIU Contacts Form.....	15	455
Compliance Report.....	45	483

## Convictions Activity

**Vazquez, Carolos** – An investigation led to a Federal Indictment and a guilty plea to one felony count, Conspiracy to Commit Health Care Fraud. Mr. Vazquez was sentenced to supervised probation for a term of 5 years, with mandatory conditions. He was ordered to pay \$343,832.41 in restitution.

**Peguero, Junis** – An investigation led to a Federal Indictment and a guilty plea to two felony counts, Conspiracy to Commit Health Care Fraud and Mail Fraud. Mr. Peguero has been sentenced to a term of 31 months and committed to the custody of the Federal Bureau of Prisons. Upon release he will be on supervised probation for a period of three years, with mandatory conditions. Mr. Peguero has been ordered to pay \$343,832.41 in restitution.

**Cardenas, Miguel Moreno** - An investigation led to a Federal Indictment and a guilty plea to two felony counts, Conspiracy to Commit Health Care Fraud and Mail Fraud. Mr. Cardenas has been sentenced to a term of 14 months and committed to the custody of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Upon release he will be on supervised probation for a period of two years, with mandatory conditions. Mr. Cardenas has been ordered to pay \$343,832.41 in restitution.

**Cordoba-Reira, Jose** - An investigation led to a Federal Indictment and a guilty plea to two felony counts, Conspiracy to Commit Health Care Fraud and Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering. Mr. Cordoba-Reira has been sentenced to a term of 14 months and committed to the custody of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Upon release he will be on supervised probation for a period of two years, with mandatory conditions. Mr. Cordoba-Reira has been ordered to pay \$343,832.41 in restitution.

**Calloway, Collin** - An investigation led to a guilty plea of one count Fraudulent Insurance Acts over \$500, Class D Felony, Harlan Circuit Court. Mr. Calloway's 5 years imprisonment sentence was probated to supervised probation for 5 years, plus restitution of \$2,031.92 to The Traveler's Indemnity Co.

**Taulbee, Randall D.** - An investigation led to a Federal Indictment and a guilty plea to two felony counts, both Conspiracy to Commit an Offense Against the United States. Mr. Taulbee has been sentenced to thirty months imprisonment and ordered to pay a total of \$718,784 in restitution; \$458,104 is to be paid to Risk Management Agency and \$260,680 to AgriSomp North America.

**Noble, Cherie Lynn** - An investigation led to a Federal Indictment and a guilty plea to one felony count, Conspiracy to Commit an Offense Against the United States. Ms. Noble has been sentenced to two years' probation and ordered to pay \$263,614 in restitution; \$166,602 is to be paid to Risk Management Agency and \$97,012 to AgriSomp North America.

**McDonald, James A.** - An investigation led to a Federal Indictment and a guilty plea to two felony counts, both Conspiracy to Commit an Offense Against the United States. Mr. McDonald has been sentenced to 6 months imprisonment and ordered to pay a total of \$718,784 in restitution; \$458,104 to be paid to Risk Management Agency and \$260,680 to AgriSomp North America (Formerly ARMtech Insurance Solutions).

**Chaney, Melonie** - An investigation led to a guilty plea and settlement of Fraudulent Insurance Acts, Over \$500. The Ms. Chaney took a plea and agreed to DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE upon payment in full of Investigative Expenses awarded to the Kentucky Department of Insurance, Division of Fraud Investigations, \$1500, paid in full on 10/23/2023.