

California Department of Insurance

Fraud Division

March 2021 Workers' Compensation Fraud Convictions

Effective January 01, 2005, Assembly Bill 2866 (Frommer) enacted Insurance Code Section 1871.9 requiring the posting of all workers' compensation fraud convictions to the CDI website.

Per section 1871.9, the department shall post all of the following information on its Internet Web site for each person, as defined in Section 19, convicted of a violation of this article (1871.4), Section 11760 or 11880, Section 3700.5 of the Labor Code or Section 487 or 550 of the Penal Code, if the violation involved workers' compensation insurance, services or benefits:

- The name, case number, county or court and other identifying information with respect to the case.
- The full name of the defendant.
- The city and county of the defendant's last known residence or business address.
- The date of conviction.
- A description of the offense.
- The amount of money alleged to have been defrauded.
- A description of the punishment imposed, including the length of any sentence of imprisonment and the amount of any fine imposed.

The information required to be posted under this section shall be maintained on the department Web site for a period of five years from the date of conviction or until the department is notified in writing by the person that the conviction has been reversed or expunged.

Note: If new documentation has been received that in any way affects the conviction information contained herein, please forward that documentation with an explanation to:

Bureau Chief, Workers' Compensation Program
2400 Del Paso Road, Suite 250
Sacramento, CA 95834

A determination to make any changes will be made within sixty (60) days of receipt of the information.

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CDI Case Number: 16FW017029

Court Case Number: F19904399

County: Fresno

Defendant: Edward Anthony Arriola

City/County of Residence: Clovis / Fresno

Conviction Date: 05/26/2021

Offense: 1 Count of IC 1871.4(a)(1) (Make or Cause to be Made a Knowingly False or Fraudulent Material Statement or Material Representation for the Purpose of Obtaining Compensation)

Amount Allegedly Defrauded: \$40,117

Sentence: 90 Day County Jail, 30 Days Community Service, 2 Years Formal Probation, \$40,117 Restitution, Court Fine: \$300. Probation Fine: \$300. Court Fee: \$140

CDI Case Number: 19AW012530

Court Case Number: P20CR0181

County: El Dorado

Defendant: Imran Ashraf Chaudhry

City/County of Residence: Not available at this time

Conviction Date: 3/16/2021

Offense: 1 Count of LC 3700.5 (No Workers' Compensation Insurance)

Amount Allegedly Defrauded: To be determined

Sentence: 2 Years Probation, \$5,000 Criminal Fine. 60 Days County Jail.
Restitution EDD: \$11,645.45. Restitution Bureau of Automotive Repair: \$369.00.
Restitution to Lela Marie Hayes: \$550. Admin Collection Fee: \$82.50.
Felony Restitution Fee: \$300.00. Probation Fee: \$300.00. Critical Needs Assessment: \$30.00.
Court Fees: \$100.00. Probation Supervision Fee: \$1,200.00

CDI Case Number: 13GW019889

Court Case Number: C1888833

County: Santa Clara

Defendant: Maoz Kadesh

City/County of Residence: Not available at this time

Conviction Date: 3/09/2021

Offense: UI 2118.5 payroll tax evasion

Amount Allegedly Defrauded: To be determined

Sentence: 1 day county jail, \$235 court fees

CDI Case Number: 20FW000587

Court Case Number: 20CR-04076

County: Merced

Defendant: Meliton Hernandez Martinez, Jr.

City/County of Residence: Atwater / Merced

Conviction Date: 3/01/2021

Offense: 1 Count of PC 550(a)(1) (Knowingly Present Fraudulent Insurance Claim)

Amount Allegedly Defrauded: To be determined

Sentence: 1 Year Prison, Restitution Fine: \$600.00. Court Fees: \$70.00.

CDI Case Number: 17FW013725

Court Case Number: F20906565

County: Fresno

Defendant: Rafael Morgutia, Jr.

City/County of Residence: Fresno

Conviction Date: 3/30/2021

Offense: 1 Count of PC 550(b)(3) (False or Fraudulent Claim or Statement)

Amount Allegedly Defrauded: \$4,064

Sentence: 364 Days County Jail, 50 Hours Community Service, 1 Year Probation, \$4,064 Restitution.

CDI Case Number: 15FW012091

Court Case Number: F17907152

County: Fresno

Defendant: Shawn Thomas Padovich

City/County of Residence: Not available at this time

Conviction Date: 06/10/2021

Offense: 1 Count of IC 11880(a) (Premium Fraud)

Amount Allegedly Defrauded: \$46,266

Sentence: 2 Years Formal Probation, \$46,266 Restitution, Probation Fee: \$300.00. Court Fee: 140.00

CDI Case Number: 16HW025908

Court Case Number: FSB20002087

County: San Bernardino

Defendant: Almirante Perez

City/County of Residence: Colton / San Bernardino

Conviction Date: 3/16/2021

Offense: 1 Count of IC 11760(a) (Misrepresent Fact to Obtain Workers' Compensation)

Amount Allegedly Defrauded: \$620,792

Sentence: 2 Years Probation, \$620,792 Restitution