

Jorge Juan Torres / Bermuda Account

Case ID:

ARW-215

Jurisdiction of Origin of Public Official or Entity Allegedly Involved:

Mexico

Position of Public Official(s) (yrs in office):

General Director of the Promotion and Development, the Secretary of Finance of Coahuila state, Municipal President of Saltillo state and interim Governor of Coahuila state (1994-2011)

Jurisdiction of Asset Recovery:

Bermuda

Jurisdiction of Asset Recovery ? Description:

Asset Location / Alleged Asset Location

Asset Recovery Start:

2013

Asset Recovery End:

Ongoing

UNCAC Offenses Implicated:

Art.17

Art.19

Art.20

Art.23

Legal Basis for Asset Recovery:

Execution of Foreign Warrant of Arrest in Rem (Bermuda); Non-Conviction Based Asset Forfeiture (United States)

Contributing Factors in Asset Recovery:

Ongoing Case

Status of Asset Recovery :

Ongoing

Stage in Asset Recovery Chain:

Judgment by Court of First Instance

Case Summary:

See also related case, Hector Javier Villarreal Hernandez (United States and Bermuda). In September 2013, the US Government filed a civil asset forfeiture complaint against Old Mutual of Bermuda, Ltd. Contract Number CX4011696 in Bermuda which it alleged constituted proceeds of corruption while Mr. Torres was serving in various government posts including as interim Governor of Coahuila state, Mexico. In October 2013, the warrant for arrest in rem was executed by the Bermuda Police Service. In March 2014, Mr. Torres and his wife filed an Answer to the complaint, not denying his government employment but denying allegations including that his government positions as sole source of income. On August 3, 2015, a Default Judgment was entered against the assets in favor of the United States. (Sources: US v. All Funds on Deposit at Old Mutual of Bermuda, Ltd. Contract Number CX4011696 in Bermuda, Case No. 13-cv-00294 (S.D. Tex), Verified Complaint for Civil Forfeiture in Rem filed September 24, 2013; Executed Warrant of Arrest in Rem filed October 29, 2013; Answer (by Torres) filed March 28, 2014 and Order of Default Judgment of August 3, 2015.

Disposition of Criminal Case(s):

Mr. Torres is under indictment in the US Federal Court for the District of Southern Texas on a charge of money laundering conspiracy. (Source: US v. Hernandez Villarreal and Torres, Case No. 2:13-cr-1075 (SD Tex), Indictment filed November 20, 2013 and Court Docket Report as of May 22, 2016.)




Jurisdiction of Asset Recovery: Investigative Agency:

Bermuda Police Service (execution of warrant of arrest in rem)

Documents:

Aluminum_Bahrain_Dahdaleh_UK_SFO_Press_Release_Oct_24_2011

Documents:

Attachment	Size
 Torres_SDTEX_Old_Mutual_Bermuda_Account_Exec_Arrest_in_Rem_Oct_29_2013.pdf	74.57 KB
 Torres_SDTEX_Old_Mutual_Bermuda_Acct_Forfeiture_Complaint_Sep_24_2013.pdf	547.51 KB
 Torres_SDTEX_Old_Mutual_Bermuda_Acct_Answer_Mar_28_2014.pdf	254.42 KB
 Torres_SDTEX_Indictment_Nov_20_2013.pdf	458.03 KB
 Torres_SDTEX_Bermuda_Acct_Default Judgment_Aug3 2015.pdf	111.63 KB

Other Sources:

Civil Asset Forfeiture Case: US v. All Funds on Deposit at Old Mutual of Bermuda, Ltd. Contract Number CX4011696 in Bermuda, Case No. 13-cv-00294 (S.D. Tex), Verified Complaint for Civil Forfeiture in Rem filed September 24, 2013; Executed Warrant of Arrest in Rem filed October 29, 2013; Answer (by Torres) filed March 28, 2014; Order of Default Judgment, August 3, 2015. Criminal Case: US v. Hernandez Villarreal and Torres, Case No. 2:13-cr-1075 (SD Tex), Indictment filed November 20, 2013 and Court Docket Report as of May 22, 2016.)