

Hector Javier Villarreal Hernandez / US Asset Forfeiture - Western District of Texas (Real Estate and Bank Account)

Case ID:

ARW-212

Jurisdiction of Origin of Public Official or Entity Allegedly Involved:

Mexico

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

Former Secretary of Finance, State of Coahuila (2005-2011)

Jurisdiction of Asset Recovery:

United States

Jurisdiction of Asset Recovery ? Description:

Undertaking Recovery Effort; Location of Recovery Effort; Asset Location/Alleged Asset Location

Asset Recovery Start:

2012

Asset Recovery End:

Ongoing

UNCAC Offenses Implicated:

Art.17

Art.19

Art.20

Art.23

Legal Basis for Asset Recovery:

Non-Conviction Based Asset Forfeiture

Intl.Cooperation: MLAT/Letter of Request?:

MLAT

Basis for Intl Cooperation:

Mutual Legal Assistance Treaty (US-Mexico)

Contributing Factors in Asset Recovery:

Ongoing Case

Status of Asset Recovery :

Ongoing

Stage in Asset Recovery Chain:

Before Court of First Instance

Case Summary:

See related cases involving assets in Bermuda. According to the February 18, 2014 Amended Notice of Related Cases filed in US v. Villarreal Hernandez, et al, the following civil asset forfeiture cases have been filed in the US federal court for the Western District of Texas against real properties and bank account with value totalling nearly \$23 million: US v. Real Property Known as an Exxon Service Station/Convenience Store at 4425 E. 14th Street, Brownsville, Texas, Case No. 5:12-cv-377 (value \$1,132,128); US v. Real Property Known as Peninsula Island Resort and Spa at 340 South Padre Island Blvd., Unit 602, Building B, South Padre Island, Texas, Case No. 12-cv-379 (value: \$280,797); US v. Real Property Known as

an Apartment Complex Located at 3454 Boca Chica Blvd., Brownsville, Texas (value: \$799,958.00); US v. Real Property Known as Javi's Carwash Located at 1317 W. Tyler, Harlington, Texas, Case No. 12-cv-374 (value: \$307,503); US v. Real Property Known as Javi's Carwash Located at 5215 South Padre Highway, Brownsville, Texas, Case No. 12-cv-375 (value: \$309,801); US v. Real Property Known as a Single-family Residence Located at 740 S. Central Ave., Brownsville, Texas, Case No. 12-cv-372 (value: \$62,495.90); US v. Real Property Known as Strip/Shopping Center Located at 3454 Boca Chica Blvd., Brownsville, Texas, Case No. 12-cv-382 (value: \$361,147); US v. Real Property Known as White Orchid Apartment Complex Located at 3480 Boca Chica Blvd., Brownsville, Texas, Case No. 12-cv-378 (value: \$434,734); US v. Real Property Known as a Single-family Residence and Adjacent Lor Located and Situated at 3911 Luz Del Faro, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, Case No. 12-cv-383 (value: \$1,355,970); US v. Real Property Known as the North Pointe Strip/Shopping Center, More Fully Described as Lots 42, 43, 44 and 45, Block 6, New City Block 17586, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, Case No. 12-cv-381 (value: \$6,324,570); US v. Real Property Known as CVS Store No. 8978 and Adjacent Vacant Lots Located and Situated at 20203 Stone Oak Parkway, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, Case No. 12-cv-376 (value: \$3,943,810); US v. Real Property Known as Centurion Storage, a High Rise Mini-storage Facility Located and Situated at 2310 North Loop 1604 West, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, Case No. 12-cv-380 (value: \$6,560,000); and US v. \$1,214,232.59 seized from JP Morgan Chase Acct. (value: \$1,214,232.59) (Sources: US v. Villarreal Hernandez and Torres, Case No. 13-cr-01075 (S.D. Tex), Amended Notice of Related Cases filed February 18, 2014).

On March 1, 2013, the Court granted the US Government's Motion and Ordered the civil asset forfeiture cases to be stayed pending resolution of all related criminal matters. The cases were reinstated on the Court's Docket in January 26, 2016 and was ongoing as of May 22, 2016. (Sources: Court Docket reports as of May 22, 2016 in the above listed cases.)

Disposition of Criminal Case(s):

As of May 22, 2016, Mr. Villarreal Hernandez's sentencing in US Federal Court for the Western District of Texas on money laundering conspiracy charge, to which he had plead guilty, was continued to October 5, 2016. (Source: US v. Villarreal Hernandez, Case No. 5:14-cr-00100 (W.D. Tex), Agreed and Unopposed, Sealed Motion for Continuance of Sentencing filed February 8, 2016 and Court Docket Report as of May 22, 2016.)

Jurisdiction of Asset Recovery: Investigative Agency:

Internal Revenue Service - Criminal Investigations



Jurisdiction of Asset Recovery: Prosecuting Authority/Civil Attorney(s):

United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Texas

Jurisdiction of Asset Recovery: Courts Involved:

US District Court for the Western District of Texas

Documents:

Attachment	Size
 Hernandez_Villarreal_SDTEX_Amended_Notice_Related_Cases_Feb_18_2014.pdf	52.45 KB
 Hernandez_WDTEX_Apt_Complex_12-cv-373_Dkt_Rept_Jul_30_2014.pdf	211.21 KB

Other Sources:

US v. Villarreal Hernandez, Case No. 13-cr-01075 (S.D. Tex), Amended Notice of Related Cases filed February 18, 2014 and Court Docket Reports in the civil asset forfeiture cases listed in the summary.