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Financial Investigation Events Log**Case Number: POLTD/0506/0685****Graham Brander**

Date	Events	Initials
23/10/06	Case on hand	
23/10/06	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This case is an audit shortage of £36,644.89 • Sub-postmaster is Josephine Hamilton • It is suitable for confiscation and as such a preliminary search against assets. • Completed Land registry searches against office and home address • South Warnborough Post Office Alton Road Hook Hampshire RG29 1RS • <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px; text-align: center; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;">GRO</div> • Particular criminal conduct (look for assets to the value of the loss) • Case report at Ref 1 in documents schedule • Tape summaries reference 2 documents schedule • SAP Ref 3 in documents schedule • CS207 Ref 4 in documents schedule • CS205 Ref 5 in documents schedule 	GH
27/10/06	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CS204 submitted 	GH
27/11/06	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The first hearing in respect of Josephine HAMILTON (POLTD/0506/0685 - South Warnborough) has been fixed for 10.00 hrs on Wednesday 06 December 2006 at Aldershot Magistrates Court. 	
27/11/06	<p>CHARGE "FOR THAT YOU Josephine Hamilton on or before the 7th day of March 2006 at South Warnborough stole £36,644.89 in money belonging to Post Office Limited".</p> <p>(Contrary to Section 1 of the Theft Act 1968)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charges Ref 6 in documents schedule 	GH
27/11/06	<p>Particular criminal conduct.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepared Section 18 statement for her to return. • Section 18 request Ref 7 in documents schedule 	GH
27/11/06	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sent section 18 statement request to Juliet McFarlane copy to Graham Brander 	
07/12/06	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Josephine Hamilton appeared at Aldershot Magistrates Court on the 6th December 2006. 	GH

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The prosecution was represented by our Agents Just Advocates. • No plea was indicated and the Magistrates declined jurisdiction. • The case has been adjourned until the 31st January 2007. Please prepare committal papers in accordance with my advice of the 7th October 2006. 	
14/01/07	No change	GH
05/02/07	ROYAL MAIL GROUP plc v JOSEPHINE HAMILTON ALDERSHOT MAGISTRATES COURT COMMITTAL – 7TH FEBRUARY 2007 CASE NO: POLTD/0506/0685	GH
05/03/07	On the 7 th February 2007 the Defendant was committed to a Plea and Case Management Hearing at Winchester Crown Court on the 12 th March 2007.	GH
14/03/07	Email from Graham Please note that a trial has been fixed, to commence on Monday 10 September 2007, at Winchester Crown Court . The trial has been listed for 3 to 4 days. All witnesses are currently required by the defence to attend court and give evidence. As such, please can you allow for the fact that you may be required to attend court anytime between Monday 10 September and Thursday 13 September?	GH
14/03/07	Resent section 18 request for information to Graham.	GH
19/04/07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email to Graham 	GH
18/09/07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Court date now 10th December 2007 	GH
20/09/07	Email from Graham <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set for trial at Winchester Crown Court due to commence Monday 10 December 2007. I have copy of Section 18 POCA paperwork. 	GH
10/10/07	Counsel in case has received from the defendants an offer to plea to the false accounting if the theft charges are dropped and have requested advice.	GH
19/11/07	Email from graham REF: Hamilton Mention Hearing 19 November 2007 - Winchester Crown Court. Richard Jory advised me earlier today that he hadn't received this e-mail. Any chance you could forward it to him again. Hamilton pleaded guilty to the 14 FA charges. Agreement by both counsels that provided full amount (i advised Richard of increase in value of money) is repaid by sentencing date (25/01/08) then the single theft charge would be dropped. Richard stipulated that if the full amount wasn't repaid	GH

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	<p>by that time, we would go to trial in respect of the theft charge, unless it could be shown that payment would soon be forthcoming; in which case sentencing would be adjourned.</p>	
<p>22/11/07</p>	<p>The Defendant appeared before the Court today. The prosecution was represented by Mr Richard Jory of 9-12 Bell Yard, London, WC2A 2JR and the Defendant was represented by Anita Saran.</p> <p>The Defendant pleaded Guilty to the false accounting counts 2-15 on the Indictment. The case has been adjourned to the 25th January 2008 for pre sentence reports.</p> <p>The Defendant has been informed that full payment must be made prior to that date. The theft count has remained on file on the understanding that it should be proceeded with if the money is not repaid.</p> <p>It is believed that the Defendant has monies, which will be available at the end of the year. If the Defendant does not repay then consideration will need to be given to the practicalities of proceeding with the charge of theft or whether confiscation proceedings should pursue.</p> <p>I note that the compensation outstanding is £36,644.89.</p> <p>I note that the figure canvassed of £40,201.58 is a sum which includes interest, the greatest sum will no doubt be pursued should confiscation proceedings be brought.</p> <p>It has been made clear to the Defence that there must be some recognition that the Defendant had the money short of theft and that a plea on the basis that the loss was due to the computer not working properly will not be accepted.</p> <p>As stated above the next hearing is on the 25th January 2008.</p>	<p>GH</p>
<p>06/02/08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Juliet says money received • Case closed • Case closure form sent to casework and Graham Brander 	<p>GH</p>