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IDENTITY THIEF SENTENCED TO 6 YEARS IN PRISON

State Attorney Melissa Nelson announces that on March 21, 2017, the Honorable Linda F. McCallum sentenced Christopher Sean Riley, 31, to six years in Florida State Prison followed by four years of probation for three counts of Criminal Use of Personal Identification Information. The Court further ordered the Riley to repay more than \$20,000 in restitution.

Riley created fraudulent identification cards including drivers' licenses and Social Security cards. These fraudulent forms of identification bore the pictures of Riley's criminal associates but contained the names and personal information of identity theft victims located throughout the country. After creating the fraudulent forms of identification, Riley opened fraudulent lines of credit at various retail stores in Jacksonville.

The case was investigated by United States Secret Service, the United States Postal Inspection Service, and the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office. It was prosecuted by Assistant State Attorneys Joe Licandro and Katharine Skinner.

For additional information or to schedule an interview with Joe Licandro, please contact David Chapman, Communications Director, at the contact information above.