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**Two Georgia Residents Indicted For Scheme to Defraud Banks and
Credit Unions in Green Bay and the Fox Valley**

United States Attorney Richard G. Frohling of the Eastern District of Wisconsin announced that on February 1, 2022, a federal grand jury returned an indictment against Michael W. Harvey, Jr. (age: 40) and Shanika V. Harvey (age: 31), both residents of Atlanta, Georgia. They are each charged with three counts of financial institution fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1344. Each count carries a maximum of 30 years' imprisonment and a fine of up to \$1,000,000.

The indictment alleges that Michael and Shanika Harvey schemed to defraud financial institutions across the United States, including numerous banks and credit unions in the Fox Valley and Green Bay areas. The defendants are alleged to have stolen checks from numerous Wisconsin businesses' mailboxes, altered them, and then recruited individuals to cash the counterfeit checks in exchange for a small amount of money. The defendants are alleged to have obtained or attempted to obtain more than \$160,000 from banks and credit unions in Northeast Wisconsin.

This case was investigated by the Brown County Sheriff's Office. It will be prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Daniel R. Humble.

An indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. The defendants are presumed innocent and are entitled to a fair trial at which the government must prove them guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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