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2 Arrested In Mortgage Fraud

Source: KPHO (CBS channel 5 Phoenix)

Summary: A federal grand jury in Tucson has indicted two people accused in a mortgage fraud conspiracy.

U.S. Attorney Dennis Burke said Scott Tyson and Susan Levy of Tucson are being charged with wire fraud and conspiracy to commit wire fraud.

Quotes: "The defendants conspired to obtain multiple mortgages based upon fraudulent representations. The goal of the conspiracy was to profit from either the commissions received from the loans or the future sale of the properties or 'flip'," said Burke. "This office is dedicated to prosecuting mortgage fraud related offenses, and this indictment is another example of our partnership with the FBI to prosecute and hold industry insiders accountable."

Seen also in: Arizona Daily Star, [Two indicted on mortgage-fraud charges](#)

KSWT (CBS Channel 13 Yuma), [2 Tucson residents accused of mortgage fraud](#)

Key Player in Drug Trafficking Organization Sentenced

Source: White Mountain Independent

Summary: Jose Paul Gastellum-Chavez, aka Juan Chavez Rodriguez, 57, of Mexico, was sentenced to 13 years in prison by U. S. District Court Judge Frank R. Zapata for his role in a drug trafficking organization (DTO) responsible for transporting multi-ton quantities of marijuana from Mexico into the United States.

Quotes: "For this organization, the defendant was a critical cog in the flow of drugs from Mexico throughout the United States. He enabled the DTO to gain access and distribute marijuana into the U.S. This sentencing represents a significant blow to the organization and sends a message to individuals working at all levels of these organization," said U.S. Attorney Dennis K. Burke. "I want to thank the federal agencies along with the Arizona Department of Public Safety and the South Tucson Police Department for their work in this investigation."

ATF gunrunning probe strategy scrutinized after death of Border Patrol agent

Source: Washington Post

Summary: Probes the link between ATF's Fast and Furious gun trafficking investigation and Agent Terry's death.

Quotes: Last week, U.S. Attorney Dennis K. Burke announced that 34 people had been indicted in five cases, breaking up a network linked to the Sinoloa drug-trafficking cartel in Mexico. "The massive size of this operation sadly exemplifies the magnitude of the problem," Burke said.