

A note from santafenewmexican.com to our readers.

Several readers have called or e-mailed the New Mexican wondering why the indictments posted on santafenewmexican.com appear to show that the grand jury found that there is no probable cause to indict Jerome Block Jr and Jerome Block Sr.

Although the pair were indicted April 8, it turns out there was a mixup in two court documents provided to reporters.

Attorney General's Office spokesman Phil Sisneros explained what happened.

"It turns out that the forms for "probable" cause and "no probable" cause are almost identical and were accidentally mixed up. We have since filed a Corrected Certificate Finding Probable Cause for both indictments. The actual indictments are correct, certified as "true" bills and are not affected by the probable cause statements," he said.

Once a reporter has obtained the corrected document, it will be attached to the download. Please contact Web editor Henry M. Lopez at webeditor@sfnewmexican.com with any questions.

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FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF SANTA FE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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IN THE MATTER OF THE GRAND JURY
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA FE
MARCH, 2009 TERM

D101CR200900137

CERTIFICATE FINDING PROBABLE CAUSE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the members of the Grand Jury found that there is no probable cause to accuse of: (check offenses)

- 1. Violation of Election Code, Campaign Act, Voter Action Act
- 2. Conspiracy to commit Violation of Election Code
- 3. Tampering with Evidence
- 4. Conspiracy to commit Tampering with Evidence

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STEPHEN D. PFEFFER

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF SANTA FE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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DISTRICT COURT

2009 APR -8 AM 11: 43

No. D101CV200900137
AGO#: 776-108 PC

STATE OF NEW MEXICO,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JEROME D. BLOCK
AKA JEROME D. BLOCK, SR.

Defendant.

CRIMES CHARGED

VIOLATION OF ELECTION CODE, CAMPAIGN REPORTING
ACT, VOTER ACTION ACT; TAMPERING WITH EVIDENCE;
CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT TAMPERING WITH EVIDENCE

GRAND JURY INDICTMENT

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

COUNT 1: VIOLATION OF ELECTION CODE, CAMPAIGN REPORTING
ACT, VOTER ACTION ACT

That on or between the 3rd day of July, 2008 and the 14th day of October,
2008, in New Mexico, the Defendant willfully or knowingly violated the provisions
of the Voter Action Act or rules of the secretary of state or knowingly made a false
statement in a report required by that act, contrary to §1-19A-17 NMSA 1978, §1-
19A-9 NMSA 1978, and §1-19-25 through §1-19-36 NMSA 1978.

COUNT 2: CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT VIOLATION OF ELECTION CODE

That on or between the 3rd day of July, 2008 and the 14th day of October,
2008, in New Mexico, the Defendant knowingly combined, united or agreed with
another person to omit any duty or commit any act, the omission of which duty, or

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combination of such act, would by the provisions of the Election Code, contrary to §1-20-15 NMSA 1978, §1-19A-17 NMSA 1978, §1-19A-9 NMSA 1978, and §1-19-25 through §1-19-36 NMSA 1978.

COUNT 3: TAMPERING WITH EVIDENCE

That on or between the 3rd day of July, 2008 and the 14th day of October, 2008, in New Mexico, the Defendant changed and/or hid and/or fabricated reports and /or documents and/or checks with the intent to prevent the apprehension, prosecution or conviction of himself or another, contrary to section §30-22-5, NMSA 1978.

COUNT 4: CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT TAMPERING WITH EVIDENCE

That on or between the 3rd day of July, 2008 and the 14th day of October, 2008, in New Mexico, the Defendant and another person by words or acts, agreed to commit tampering with evidence, and the Defendant and another person intended to commit tampering with evidence, contrary to section §30-28-2 and §30-22-5 NMSA 1978.

The names of the witnesses upon whose testimony this Indictment is based are as follows:

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Indictment is a True Bill.

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Foreperson

4-8-09
Date

APPROVED:

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FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF SANTA FE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE GRAND JURY
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA FE
MARCH, 2009 TERM

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- 2. Conspiracy to commit Violation of Election Code
- 3. Violation of Election Code, Campaign Act, Voter Action Act
- 4. Conspiracy to commit Violation of Election Code
- 5. Tampering with Evidence
- 6. Conspiracy to commit Tampering with Evidence
- 7. Embezzlement (Over \$500 but not more than \$2,500)
- 8. Embezzlement (Over \$500 but not more than \$2,500)

Foreman

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FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF SANTA FE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

2009 APR -8 AM 11: 48

No. D101CR200900138
AGO#: 776-108 PC

STATE OF NEW MEXICO,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JEROME D. BLOCK, JR
AKA JEROME D. BLOCK, II

Defendant.

CRIMES CHARGED

VIOLATION OF ELECTION CODE, CAMPAIGN REPORTING ACT,
VOTER ACTION ACT (2 COUNTS); CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT
VIOLATION OF ELECTION CODE, (2 COUNTS); TAMPERING
WITH EVIDENCE; CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT TAMPERING WITH
EVIDENCE; EMBEZZLEMENT (OVER \$500 BUT NOT MORE THAN
\$2,500) (2 COUNTS)

GRAND JURY INDICTMENT

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

COUNT 1.: VIOLATION OF ELECTION CODE, CAMPAIGN REPORTING
ACT, VOTER ACTION ACT

That on or about the 3rd day of July, 2008, in New Mexico, the Defendant
willfully or knowingly violated the provisions of the Voter Action Act or rules of the
secretary of state or knowingly made a false statement in a report required by that
act, contrary to §1-19A-17 NMSA 1978, §1-19A-9 NMSA 1978, and §1-19-25
through §1-19-36 NMSA 1978.

COUNT 2: CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT VIOLATION OF ELECTION CODE

That on or about the 3rd day of July, 2008, in New Mexico, the Defendant knowingly combined, united or agreed with another person to omit any duty or commit any act, the omission of which duty, or combination of such act, would by the provisions of the Election Code, contrary to §1-20-15 NMSA 1978, §1-19A-17 NMSA 1978, §1-19A-9 NMSA 1978, and §1-19-25 through §1-19-36 NMSA 1978.

COUNT 3: VIOLATION OF ELECTION CODE, CAMPAIGN REPORTING ACT, VOTER ACTION ACT

That on or between the 3rd day of July, 2008 and the 14th day of October, 2008, in New Mexico, the Defendant willfully or knowingly violated the provisions of the Voter Action Act or rules of the secretary of state or knowingly made a false statement in a report required by that act, contrary to §1-19A-17 NMSA 1978, §1-19A-9 NMSA 1978, and §1-19-25 through §1-19-36 NMSA 1978.

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COUNT 6: CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT TAMPERING WITH EVIDENCE

That on or between the 3rd day of July, 2008 and the 14th day of October, 2008, in New Mexico, the Defendant and another person by words or acts, agreed to commit tampering with evidence, and the Defendant and another person intended to commit tampering with evidence, contrary to section §30-28-2 and §30-22-5 NMSA 1978.

COUNT 7: EMBEZZLEMENT (OVER \$500 BUT NOT MORE THAN \$2,500)

That on or about the 9th day of June 2008, in New Mexico, the Defendant did embezzle or convert to defendant's own purpose \$2,500, which belonged to the State of New Mexico, New Mexico State Treasury Public Election Fund, or another, which had a market value of over \$500 but not more than \$2,500, and with which defendant had been entrusted, with fraudulent intent at the time of conversion to deprive the owner of the property, contrary to §30-16-8, NMSA 1978.

COUNT 8: EMBEZZLEMENT (OVER \$500 BUT NOT MORE THAN \$2,500)

That on or about the 23rd day of June 2008, in New Mexico, the Defendant did embezzle or convert to defendant's own purpose \$1,700, which belonged to the State of New Mexico, New Mexico State Treasury Public Election Fund, or another, which had a market value of over \$500 but not more than \$2,500, and with which defendant had been entrusted, with fraudulent intent at the time of conversion to deprive the owner of the property, contrary to §30-16-8, NMSA 1978.

The names of the witnesses upon whose testimony this Indictment is based are as follows:

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