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The Honorable James L. Robart

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

No. 2:11-cv-1975-JLR

Plaintiff,

~~[Proposed]~~

**JUDGMENT OF FORFEITURE**

v.

\$549,977.45, MORE OR LESS, IN  
UNITED STATES CURRENCY, and  
A 2005 BLACK CADILLAC  
ESCALADE, VIN  
#1GYEK63N85R212801, WASHINGTON  
STATE LICENSE #893-WZZ,

Defendants.

Plaintiff United States of America filed a Verified Complaint for Forfeiture *In Rem* against Defendants \$549,977.45, more or less, in United States currency, seized from Dennis Harris, Jr. on May 28, 2011 and a 2005 black Cadillac Escalade, Vin #1GYEK63N85R212801, Washington state license #893-WZZ, alleging the assets were (A) property constituting or derived from proceeds traceable to contraband cigarette trafficking in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2342(a), and thus subject to forfeiture pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C); and (B) property constituting or derived from proceeds

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U.S. v. \$549,977.45 in U.S. Currency, et al.  
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1 traceable to, or property that facilitated, drug trafficking in violation of 21 U.S.C. §  
2 841(a)(1), and thus subject to forfeiture pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 881(a)(6).

3 Notice of this forfeiture action was published on an official government website,  
4 [www.forfeiture.gov](http://www.forfeiture.gov), for at least 30 consecutive days, beginning on December 1, 2011, as  
5 required by Rule G(4)(a)(iv)(C) of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime  
6 Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions. All interested persons were advised to file their  
7 claims pursuant to Supplemental Rule G(5) with the Clerk of the Court within 60 days  
8 after the first date of publication and to serve their Answers to the Complaint within 21  
9 days after filing a claim.

10 The United States perfected service of direct notice of this forfeiture action on the  
11 following parties:

- 12 A. Dennis Harris, Jr. c/o Attorney John Henry Browne on December 9,  
13 2011, via Certified U.S. Mail, Return Receipt Requested (article no.  
14 7010-1670-0002-4081-7525);
- 15 B. Dawn Howe, c/o Attorney John Henry Browne on December 9,  
16 2011, via Certified U.S. Mail, Return Receipt Requested (article no.  
17 7010-1670-0002-4081-7549); and
- 18 C. Dawn How on December 29, 2011, via Certified U.S. Mail, Return  
19 Receipt Requested (article no. 7008-3230-0000-6875-2591).

20 On January 9, 2012, Claimant Dennis Harris, Jr. filed a Claim to the subject  
21 property.

22 On June 15, 2012, this civil forfeiture matter was stayed pending resolution of the  
23 parallel state criminal proceedings against Claimant Dennis Harris.

24 On May 2, 2016, the Court approved a stipulated settlement agreement between  
25 the United States and the Claimant, wherein the United States agreed to return  
26 \$125,000.00 of the Defendant funds to Claimant Dennis Harris, Jr.; and Claimant Dennis  
27 Harris, Jr. agreed to withdraw his claim to the remaining \$424,977.45 in United States  
28 currency of the defendant funds and the defendant 2005 Cadillac Escalade, VIN

1 | 1GYEK63N85R212801, and further agreed to not oppose a motion for judgment of  
2 | forfeiture.

3 | All persons and entities believed to have an interest in the defendant properties in  
4 | this case were given proper notice of the intended forfeiture.

5 | To date, no additional claim to the defendant properties has been filed, and the  
6 | time for doing so has expired.

7 | Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED as follows:

8 | 1. This Court has jurisdiction of this matter and over the defendant properties  
9 | and parties pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1345 and 1355. This Court has venue pursuant to  
10 | 28 U.S.C. § 1395.

11 | 2. The following remaining portion of the defendant funds and defendant  
12 | vehicle are hereby forfeited to the United States of America, and no right, title, or interest  
13 | in said funds shall exist in any other person or entity:

- 14 | a. \$424,977.45 in United States currency; and
- 15 | b. A 2005 black Cadillac Escalade, Vin #1GYEK63N85R212801,  
16 | Washington state license #893-WZZ.

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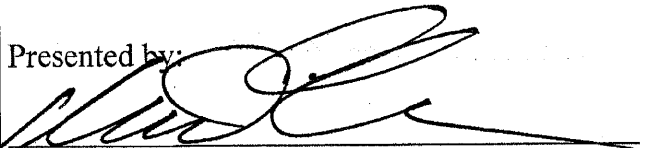
1 3. The United States Marshals Service and/or its agents and representatives  
2 shall dispose of the forfeited property in accordance with the law.

3 4. The Court shall deliver three (3) "raised seal" certified copies of this  
4 Judgment of Forfeiture to the United States Attorney's Office in Seattle, Washington.

5 DATED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016.

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9 JAMES L. ROBART  
United States District Judge

10 Presented by:

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