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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Chester County Attorney Joshua Janis  
Arrested Again For Fraud**

Defendant Joshua Janis, an attorney already charged with defrauding multiple clients, has been arrested for using his ex-wife's identity to open multiple accounts and incur unauthorized debts in her name. The defendant spent the money on business expenses, strip club charges, pornography, and other expenses. The defendant has been charged with identity theft, forgery, and related charges.

Chester County District Attorney Tom Hogan stated, "The defendant did not hesitate to defraud clients, colleagues, and even his wife. Anybody who had any significant contacts with the defendant needs to check and determine if they were victims of the defendant's greed."

The defendant is 38 years old. He is an attorney with a suspended license. He resides at 11 Lincoln Drive, Downingtown, Pennsylvania.

The facts alleged in the criminal complaint are as follows:<sup>1</sup>

The defendant was married to Jennifer Hulnick. The defendant was previously arrested for defrauding multiple clients in his law practice in Chester County, Pennsylvania. After the defendant was charged with those offenses, the defendant and Ms. Hulnick separated and then divorced.

Following the divorce, Ms. Hulnick began to get bills from various accounts that she did not recognize. She then ran her own credit report and realized that the defendant had opened multiple accounts in her name and created large unauthorized expenses. Ms. Hulnick brought the information to the attention of the police, who investigated the scheme.

The police discovered that the defendant had used Ms. Hulnick's identity to set up accounts with the following entities: NetCredit, Capital One, KeyBank, Chase, T-Mobile, Bank of America, Citibank, Comcast, and AT&T.

For each account, the defendant followed a similar pattern. He used Ms. Hulnick's personal information, such as her name and social security number, to set up the account. The defendant then used his own mobile phone number or e-mail address as the main contact for the account, screening Ms. Hulnick away from learning about the account.

The defendant then ran up bills on the various accounts. He used the accounts for business expenses, bills at strip clubs, pornography, and bills related to an extra-marital affair.

For the Bank of America account, the defendant incurred over \$20,000 in unpaid expenses in the victim's name. The other accounts have fraudulent expenses that vary from hundreds of dollars to thousands of dollars. In one loan account in the victim's name, the defendant accepted an annual percentage interest rate of 98.69%.

The defendant has been charged with multiple felony counts of identity theft, forgery, access device fraud, and theft. These charges will be consolidated with the pending charges against the defendant.

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<sup>1</sup> A criminal defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty in court.

This case was investigated by the Chester County Detectives, the investigative arm of the Chester County District Attorney's Office. The assigned prosecutor is Chief Deputy District Attorney Ron Yen. Anybody with further information should contact the Chester County Detectives at (610) 344-6866.

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Approved for release:

Thomas P. Hogan