



PRESS RELEASE

Attorney General Frosh Charges Five Individuals in Connection with Organized Retail Theft Conspiracy

BALTIMORE, MD (January 31, 2018) – Maryland Attorney General Brian E. Frosh announced today that Tyrayah Shonita Graham, 23; Donna Leurine Moye, 39; Lisa Marie Williams, 54; Lyric Taj McLaughlin, 21; and Tiara Kianna Baker, 19, have all been indicted in connection with an organized retail theft ring. The indictments charge the women with conspiracy to commit a theft scheme with a value of \$100,000 or more from January 2017 to the present. Moye and Williams are also charged with theft scheme of \$100,000 or more, and with selling and possessing counterfeit goods.

The women allegedly targeted retailers of clothing and accessories such as Dick’s Sporting Goods, Victoria’s Secret and Pink. Members of the conspiracy would enter a store together, select large quantities of merchandise from store displays and conceal the items in bags brought into the store with them, then exit the store without paying. Images of the stolen goods were then posted on Instagram to advertise the items. The theft ring allegedly stole items from stores located in several Maryland counties including Charles, Montgomery, Anne Arundel, Baltimore and Harford.

“These individuals stole thousands of dollars’ worth of merchandise through an organized operation and then advertised for sale the stolen goods on the Internet,” said Attorney General Frosh. “Working with our partners, we were able to shut down this ring and hold the thieves accountable.”

A criminal charge is merely an accusation of wrongdoing and the defendant is presumed innocent unless the State proves guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

The case is being prosecuted jointly by the Maryland Attorney General’s Office and the State Prosecutor’s Office through the Attorney General Fraud and Corruption Task Force. In making today’s announcement, Attorney General Frosh thanked all the agencies that assisted in the investigation of this case including the Anne Arundel County State’s Attorney’s Office, the Baltimore County State’s Attorney’s Office, the Montgomery County State’s Attorney’s Office, Maryland State Police, the Baltimore City Sheriff, the Baltimore County Police Department and the Montgomery County Police Department.