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UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA PD
BUILDING 51, MUSEUM ROAD
GAINESVILLE, FL

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Report Date / Time 8/15/2017 4:16:34PM	Report Number UFPD55ARR00699M	Case Number/CAD Number UFPD17OFF001225 / UFPD17CAD052727	Reporting Officer Name MCCARTHY, NIKITA D.
Originating Agency ORI FLO010600	Occurrence Date Time Range 6/26/2017 12:00:00 AM - 8/15/2017 12:00:00 AM	Jurisdiction UFPD	Clearance

Location of Occurrence

Location Type	Location Description UF BOOKSTORE AND WELCOME CENTER, 886		
Street Number 1900	Street MUSEUM RD.	Apt/Lot/Bldg	
County	City GAINESVILLE	State FL	Zip 32611

Suspect

First Name KADEEM	Middle Name	Last Name TELFORT	Suffix	Date Of Birth 11/10/1998	Age 18	Race BLACK	Sex MALE
SSN	MNI # UFPD17MNI005046	Place of Birth	Height	Weight 0	Hair	Eyes	
DL or ID Number	ID State	ID Type	Address Type				
Street Number	Street	Apt/Lot/Bldg					
County	City MIRAMAR	State FL	Zip 33027	Phone Number (305)922-0195	Extension		
Location Description							

Arrest

Arrest Date/Time 9/22/2017 2:57:02PM	Arrest Location Type	Arrest Location Description	
Street Number	Street	Apt/Lot/Bldg	County ALACHUA
City	State	Zip	

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Charge(s)

Counts 6	Charge 817.568.2a	General Offense Code COMMITTED	Bond Amount \$ 0.00	<input type="checkbox"/> No Bond
Charge Degree T	Charge Level FELONY	Arrest Offense Code Description FRAUD-IMPERSON		
Charge Description USE/POSS ID OF ANOTHER PERSON WO CONSENT				
Clery Location Type On Campus Buildings				
Counts 1	Charge 817.034.4a3	General Offense Code COMMITTED	Bond Amount \$ 0.00	<input type="checkbox"/> No Bond
Charge Degree T	Charge Level FELONY	Arrest Offense Code Description FRAUD-SWINDLE		
Charge Description OBTAIN PROPERTY UNDER 20000 DOLLARS				
Clery Location Type On Ca				



Probable Cause

On 8/15/17, I responded to the UF Bookstore in reference to a possible fraud case. I made contact with David Looney, Associate Director, and Michael Chambers, Electronic Technician at the UF Bookstore. Looney said it came to his attention that several UF students were adding funds in excess of \$1500

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to their UF Bookstore prepaid accounts. Looney said on average, students usually add around \$300 to their accounts for books, per semester. Looney said the students added funds electronically using their gatorlink user name and password which was unique to each student. Looney said they usually deal with approximately five "chargebacks" per year. Looney explained that chargebacks were when the card holder whose card was used to fund the student's UF Bookstore debit account disputed the charge. Looney said they received several disputes in reference to two accounts, which was highly unusual. Those two accounts were of UF students Jordan Smith and Sarita Francis (after interviewing Francis, she said the transaction included Jordan Scarlett). Looney said it caused them to flag several other accounts after they received more disputes and launched an investigation into the matter. Looney said they found similar transactions to the debit accounts of Kadeem Telfort, Antonio Callaway, Ventrell Miller, Rick Wells Jr., James Houston IV, Keivonnis Davis, and Richerd Desir-Jones. Looney said all of the students had added large amounts of funds electronically to their UF Bookstore debit accounts using one or several different credit cards that did not belong to them. Some of the students even saved the card for future charges. Looney said the students then used the funds in their UF Bookstore debit accounts to purchase items from the UF bookstore in person. Looney said most of the items purchased were electronics, including items such as laptops, iPads, and Beats head phones. Looney said some of the students mentioned that they have sold the items. Looney said since Chambers recognized the names as athletes, they contacted the University Athletic Association, Inc. (UAA) Compliance Office first. Looney said at the time they were not aware that the credit cards were stolen and the students were committing fraud.

The online transactions made by Telfort at the UF Bookstore website are as follows:

On 6/26/17, at approximately 1652 hours, an online attempt to add \$500.00 to Telfort's UF Bookstore debit account using a credit card was declined (authorization # [REDACTED]). Card holder's information unknown.

On 6/26/17, at approximately 1736 hours, an online attempt to add \$500.00 to Telfort's UF Bookstore debit account using a credit card was declined (authorization # [REDACTED]). Card holder's information unknown.

On 6/26/17, at approximately 1751 hours, an online attempt to add \$650.00 to Telfort's UF Bookstore debit account using a credit card was declined (authorization # [REDACTED]). Card holder's information unknown.

On 6/26/17, at approximately 1808 hours, an online attempt to add \$650.00 to Telfort's UF Bookstore debit account was successful (authorization # [REDACTED]). The IP address captured for the transaction was 10.34.104.248 (IANA). The credit card ending in [REDACTED] used to add funds belonged to Samuel E. Nelson of 440 Durham Dr., Hoschton, GA 30548. Nelson disputed the charge as fraudulent. We contacted Nelson and he said he did not authorize the charge and did not know any UF students. Nelson said there were other fraudulent charges to his credit card possibly from Telfort.

On 7/1/17, at approximately 1153 hours, an online attempt to add \$500.00 to Telfort's UF Bookstore debit account was successful (authorization # [REDACTED]). The IP address captured for the transaction was 66.87.149.63 (Sprint). The credit card ending in [REDACTED] used to add the funds belonged to Michael Smith. Smith disputed the charge as fraudulent.

On 7/5/17, at approximately 1634 hours, an online attempt to add \$300.00 to Telfort's UF Bookstore debit account was successful (authorization # [REDACTED]). The IP address captured for the transaction was 66.87.149.250 (Sprint). The credit card ending in [REDACTED] used to add the funds belonged to Patrick Baxter of 845 45th Street, Oakland, CA 94608. Baxter disputed the charge as fraudulent. Baxter said he did not authorize the charge and provided a statement of other fraudulent charges to his credit card that were possibly related.

The transactions made in person at the UF Bookstore by Telfort are as follows:

On 6/27/17, at approximately 0837 hours, Telfort went in person to the UF Bookstore and handwrote an order form to purchase an Apple iPad, 9.7 inch Retina display with Wi-Fi capabilities, 128 GB, in gold. The serial number was SDMPJTJ0ZZSHPY for \$424.94, tax included. Telfort signed the order form agreeing that he understood that the educationally priced merchandise cannot be re-sold for 12 months (attached).

On 7/5/17, at approximately 1300 hours, Telfort purchased three Sony PlayStation gift cards at \$50.00 each totaling to \$150.00 and the receipt was signed by Telfort (attached).

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Mini 4, with Wi-Fi capabilities, 128 GB, in gold for \$379.00. Telfort also purchased AppleCare for the iPad at \$99.00. The total for the purchase was \$509.07, including tax. On 7/5/17, Telfort returned the iPad Mini and canceled the AppleCare and received a refund of \$478.00, excluding tax as a store credit.

On 7/5/17, Telfort went in person to the UF Bookstore and handwrote an order form to purchase an Apple iPad, 9.7 inch Retina display with Wi-Fi capabilities, 128 GB, in space gray for \$424.94, tax included. The serial number for the iPad was SF9FTX5VXHLFD. Telfort signed the order form agreeing that he understood that the educationally priced merchandise cannot be re-sold for 12 months (attached).

On 7/5/17, at approximately 1345 hours, Telfort purchased two gift cards at \$50.00 each totaling to \$100.00. The UF Bookstore accidentally charged Telfort's UAA Scholarship account but was later corrected to charge his UF Bookstore debit account.

The UF Bookstore received a dispute on 8/7/17 to the charge made by Telfort on Baxter's credit card on 7/5/17 for the amount of \$300.00.

On 8/8/17, after the bookstore began receiving chargebacks, Telfort made a payment of \$300.00 online to the UF Bookstore to settle his account. The IP address captured for the transaction was 66.87.149.185 (Sprint). Telfort made another payment in person to the UF Bookstore on 8/14/17 in form of a check for \$700.00. While Telfort made a total of \$1,000.00 in payments to the UF Bookstore, it did not settle his account in full. While Telfort did not have the physical card of each of the victims, he somehow obtained the card holder's billing address. All of the victims disputed the charges with their credit card companies. It was unclear how Telfort obtained the stolen credit card data of each victim.

Telfort knowingly and unlawfully obtained the identity of each victim to include their names, credit card numbers, expiration date, security code, and billing addresses. Telfort used the credit cards to purchase food via 352 Delivery, and to add funds to his UF Bookstore debit account to make purchases at the UF bookstore with the intention to deprive the victims of their monies. Telfort made four forged signatures to the credit card receipts from 352 Delivery. In summary, Telfort added a total of \$1,450.00 using stolen credit cards to his UF Bookstore debit account, and spent a total of \$89.48 at 352 Delivery using stolen credit cards. Telfort had the intent to systematically continue to deprive the victims when he saved Smith and Baxter's credit cards to his UF Bookstore debit account for future charges. Telfort declined to be interviewed and retained Peter Schoenthal as his attorney.

On 9/13/17, I received a call from Schoenthal. Schoenthal said most of the "boys" were never arrested before and that the "amount stolen" would lead to "felony arrests" since they "made bad decisions." Schoenthal said most of the boys came from a "shitty" situation before becoming a student-athlete at UF, and that this case would ruin their lives. Schoenthal said he wanted to prevent that from happening by sitting down with the state attorney's office and UFPD to negotiate a deal to maybe have the boys do some type of community service. Schoenthal said he didn't want to ask for any special treatment, but had to ask for special treatment since his client was a UF football player and the case against him would ruin his life. Schoenthal said his client will not come to UFPD for an interview, and will not provide a statement.

As some of the victims review their credit card statements and reported additional fraudulent activities that occurred during the same timeframe, additional charges may be filed based on the results of the follow-up investigation and subpoenas.

Telfort was charged with:

6 counts of fraudulent use of credit cards (as listed above).

6 counts of Fraudulent use of identity of another without consent..

1 count of scheme to defraud.

Other Person(s)

Person Type VICTIM	First Name STATE	Middle Name OF	Last Name FLORIDA	Suffix	Date Of Birth	Age	Race
Sex	SSN	MNI # UFPD11MNI001893	Place of Birth	Height	Weight 0	Hair	

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Eyes	DL or ID Number	ID State	ID Type	Address Type
Street Number	Street			Apt/Lot/Bldg
County	City	State	Zip	Phone Number Extension
Location Description				

The undersigned certifies and swears that he/she has just and reasonable grounds to believe that the above named Defendant, committed violation(s), of law, on the below date(s) and time(s), as listed in the probable cause associated with this report:

Reporting Officer

Officer Name MCCARTHY, NIKITA D.	Officer Rank OFFICER	Officer ID No 082	Sworn and subscribed before me, the undersigned authority This the <u>22</u> day of <u>September</u> , <u>2017</u> DEPUTY OF THE COURT, NOTARY OR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
Officer Agency UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA PD	Officer Signature <i>Nikita McCarthy 82</i>		

Approving Supervisor

Officer Name <i>Ellen Duffy</i>	Officer Rank Sgt	Officer ID No 26	Officer Agency UFPD
Officer Signature <i>Ellen Duffy</i>			