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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
  
ASIM SHAKIR DANIELS,  
  
Defendant.

Case No. **22-MJ-0036**  
  
COMPLAINT FOR VIOLATION OF  
  
Title 18, U.S.C., Sec. 2113(a)-  
Bank Robbery

The undersigned complainant being duly sworn states:

Count 1

On or about January 4, 2022, within the Southern District of California, defendant ASIM SHAKIR DANIELS did, by force, violence, and intimidation unlawfully take from the person and presence of employees of Bank of the West, 8690 Center Dr, La Mesa, California, United States currency belonging to, or in the care, custody, management or possession of Bank of the West, whose deposits were then insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2113(a).

1 And the complainant states that this complaint is based on the  
2 attached Probable Cause Statement, which is true and sworn to and  
3 incorporated by reference.

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6 SIGNATURE OF COMPLAINANT  
7 JESSE D. CHAPPELL  
8 Federal Bureau of Investigation

9 Attested to by the applicant in accordance with the requirements of  
10 Fed. R. Crim. P. 4.1 by telephone on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022.

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12 HON. MICHAEL S. BERG  
13 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
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PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

1 During the course of my duties, I have learned the following  
2 information from my participation in this investigation and  
3 conversations with other law enforcement officers that have participated  
4 in this investigation. The following does not contain all the  
5 information known to me or other federal agents and state and local  
6 officers regarding the investigation but does contain those facts  
7 believed to be necessary to establish the requisite probable cause.

8 On January 4, 2022, investigators were notified of a bank robbery.  
9 They reported to scene, interviewed witnesses, reviewed surveillance  
10 video, and learned that, on January 4, 2022, at approximately 10:05 AM,  
11 ASIM SHAKIR DANIELS (hereinafter "DANIELS") entered the Bank of the West  
12 located at 8690 Center Dr, La Mesa, CA 91942. DANIELS was wearing a  
13 black jacket, black shoes, black gaiter neck/face covering, and dark  
14 sunglasses. DANIELS walked to a teller window and made an oral demand  
15 saying, "Give me everything". DANIELS demanded money from the vault  
16 but the bank employee informed DANIELS that the location didn't have  
17 a vault. DANIELS demanded the money from the employee's drawer and the  
18 bank employee working told DANIELS they did not have any money in  
19 their drawer. Based on DANIELS' oral demands, two separate bank  
20 employees provided DANIELS money from two separate drawers. DANIELS  
21 received approximately \$2,840 in cash. DANIELS took the money and left  
22 the bank on foot, heading Southbound.

23 Shortly after, La Mesa Police Department (hereinafter, "LMPD")  
24 Officers responded to the robbery and found DANIELS at a shopping  
25 center located south of the Bank of the West. DANIELS matched the  
26 physical description of the robber and was wearing clothing similar  
27 in appearance to that of the robber. LMPD detained DANIELS and  
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1 conducted a curbside lineup where DANIELS was identified as the robber  
2 by a bank employee.

3 LMPD Officers located the money stolen from the Bank of the West  
4 on DANIELS' person and DANIELS was identified by his California  
5 Driver's License, D2028623, which was also found on his person. The  
6 following is a photograph of DANIELS during the robbery of the Bank  
7 of the West:



21 On January 4, 2022, at the time of the robbery, the Bank of the  
22 West's deposits were insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance  
23 Corporation.

24 I also learned, the day before, on January 3, 2022, investigators  
25 were notified of a robbery at a bank, responded to the scene and learned  
26 the following by interviewing witnesses and reviewing surveillance  
27 video. On January 3, 2022, at approximately 11:00 AM, a then unknown  
28 black male matching DANIEL's description, entered the Sun Community

1 Federal Credit Union located at 100 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Holtville, CA 92250.  
2 This individual was wearing a black jacket, black pants, black shoes,  
3 camouflage neck gaiter/face covering, and white rimmed sunglasses.

4 The following is a photograph of the robber of Sun Community  
5 Federal Credit Union:



21 Upon entering the Sun Community Federal Credit Union, DANIELS  
22 approached a teller window and made an oral demand, stating he was  
23 robbing "the place" and to "give me that", pointing towards the vault.  
24 The bank employees were unable to open the vault during the time of the  
25 robbery; however, DANIELS proceeded to take a sum of money from the bank  
26 tellers' drawers totaling approximately \$20,545 and left the bank on  
27 foot.

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1           Based on this individual's appearance, clothing, and method of  
2 operation, I believe the bank robber at Sun Community Federal Credit  
3 Union to be DANIELS.

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