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Identity Thief Sentenced to 88 Months in Prison

Carver County Attorney Mark Metz announced that Daniel Robert Schillinger, age 28, of Minneapolis, pleaded guilty to Identity Theft on April 25, 2017. On August 29, 2017, the Honorable Kevin W. Eide sentenced Schillinger to 88 months in prison.

The criminal complaint alleged that in early November 2016, fourteen (14) individuals reported mail theft from their homes. Based on unauthorized transactions on Amazon.com, Carver County Detectives investigated the transactions and learned that the purchases were mailed to an address in Minneapolis.

A search warrant was obtained and Schillinger was located inside the home, along with various items that matched the description of the Amazon purchases. Detectives also located equipment that led them to believe that Schillinger was in the beginning stages of creating fraudulent checks and credit cards. They located various documents belonging to individuals who had mail stolen. The documents included blank checks, mortgage statements, Minnesota Drivers' Licenses, bank statements and college plan savings accounts.

Detectives also obtained video footage showing Schillinger purchase a television using a stolen credit card of one of the victims.

County Attorney Metz recognized the work of the Carver County Sheriff's Office. "It was only through the steadfast work and collaboration of law enforcement that we were able to obtain a conviction and sentence that will best serve the public."

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