

February 15, 2016

Social Security Administration
Georgia Area Director's Office
Request via Facsimile: 404-832-8198

To Whom It May Concern,

Pursuant to the Privacy Act as implemented by SSA regulations, 20 C.F.R. § 401.155, GN 03312.001, GN 03312.065 and GN 03316.135, the POLICE DEPT. is requesting the benefit data beginning January 1, 2013 until current date, to include but not limited to, benefit amounts, dates of entitlement, dates of termination or suspension, dates of birth, enumeration data, and addresses associated with each person listed below.

On August 27, 2015, the POLICE DEPT. responded to 123 Main Street, in Snellville, GA while attempting to REASON FOR CALL. There were an abnormally high amount of calls for service for both police and fire rescue services. An Officer from the POLICE DEPT. advised that the residents were all mentally disabled or ill and there was no caretaker present. Once the Deputy entered the residence, he observed that the refrigerator was chained shut and the pantry was padlocked shut. One of the residents has been designated the keeper of the keys to the food supplies. The operators of the facility arrived on scene and denied that the residence was subject to government licensing requirements.

On August 28, 2015, Adult Protective Services (APS) and Healthcare Facility Regulation (HFR) were also called to further investigate the situation. POLICE DEPT., APS, and HFR returned to the residence on August 29, 2015, accompanied by Fire Marshall, and the Quality of Life Unit (Code Enforcement). The Quality of Life Unit found several violations of county ordinances in regard to zoning and occupancy regulations, the Fire Marshall found several fire and life safety violations, and HFR found after interviewing the residents that the facility was in fact a Personal Care Home as described in Georgia Law; therefore, they are subject to oversight and licensing requirements.

Due to these findings, the operators of the facility had an obligation to care for the residents and they failed to do so. Criminal charges were taken on both operators for O.C.G.A § 16-5-101, Neglect of a Disabled Adult and O.C.G.A § 31-7-12.1, Unlicensed Personal Care Home.

Due to the statements given by the residents, that the operators require them to surrender their Social Security Benefits and Food Stamp Cards, it became obvious that the operators were being motivated by financial gain through exploitation of the disabled adults in their care. The Georgia Department of Human Services (DHS) was contacted to identify the amount of money each victim was receiving by way of food stamps (EBT). DHS conducted their own investigation and advised that seven accounts were flagged for suspected fraud since the cards were used outside the State of Georgia. DHS conducted additional research and discovered that the seven original victims' accounts were all going to the same address. Once they reviewed the benefits associated with that address, they found more than forty (40) additional potential victims.

The records are requested for the following individuals:

Name	DOB 10.1.1956	SSN 123-45-6789
Name	DOB 1.1.1956	SSN 123-45-6789
Name	DOB 2.2.1956	SSN 123-45-6789
Name	DOB 3.3.1956	SSN 123-45-6789

Additional Potential Victims as identified through EBT records:

Name	DOB 10.1.1956	SSN 123-45-6789
Name	DOB 1.1.1956	SSN 123-45-6789
Name	DOB 2.2.1956	SSN 123-45-6789
Name	DOB 3.3.1956	SSN 123-45-6789

Respectfully Submitted,

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I have reviewed the above request and concur with Special Agent X's assessment that the requested information is necessary to advance the objectives of a successful criminal prosecution and protection of the welfare of the above listed victims.

Supervisor

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