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Route To

Groups: People:



Arrest and Booking Report Jacksonville Sheriff's Office Jacksonville, Florida

ADULT RANGUELOV, VLADIMIR **ANGUELOV**

Year: 2025 Incident #.	323617	Amend #:
Previous Juvenile Jail Nun	nber:	
Jail #: 2025018535	Admitted: 08/27/2025 11:55	File Direct: YES
JSO ID#: 884867	Court: Circuit	
SSN:	OBTS #: 1607090759)

Incident Information

Incident Location Arrest Location **500 ADAMS ST E 500 ADAMS ST E**

JACKSONVILLE, FL 32202 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32202 Sub-sector: A1 TAZ: 97 Sub-sector: A1 TAZ: 97

Arresting Agency: JACKSONVILLE SHERIFF'S OFFICE Day/Date/Time Arrested: Wednesday, 08/27/2025 11:08

Day/Date/Time Incident From: Thursday, 05/29/2025 18:07 To: Thursday, 06/05/2025 18:08

Offense Location Type: OTHER / UNKNOWN

Miscellaneous Interviewed By:

Is Arrestee currently on probation?: NO

Drug Activity: UNKNOWN Drug Type: NOT APPLICABLE

Arrest Made On: CALL Is Incident Gang Related?: UNKNOWN Was Hate Crime Involved?: NO Was Dating Violence Involved?: NO

Domestic Violence Related?: NO If No, Is it Domestic Related?: NO Any Children under 18 Involved as a Victim?: NO

Arrestee - RANGUELOV, VLADIMIR ANGUELOV

Demographics

Race: WHITE Sex: MALE Date of Birth: 05/09/1977

Ethnicity: NOT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN

Primary Language: English Secondary Language: NOT APPLICABLE

Age: 48 Height (inches): 5'09" Weight (lbs): 280 Hair Style: LOW Hair Color: GRAY/SALT & PEPPER Hair Length: SHORT Build: **HEAVY** Eye Color: BROWN Facial Hair: UNSHAVEN

Complexion: FAIR / LIGHT Voice: NORMAL

Clothing/Description:

Place of Birth: UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN

Nicknames: Aliases:

Distinguishing Marks (Scars, Marks, and Tattoos)

Contact Information

Home Phone #: Bus. Phone #: Ext.: Alt. Phone #:

Cell Phone #: (518) 376-3451 Cell Phone Provider:

Email Address:

Primary Identification

Type of ID Given: DRIVERS LICENSE ID: R524-861-77-169-0 Issuing State: FLORIDA

Agency Identification

JSO ID: **884867** JPICS ID: 1752578

Alternate Address Home Address Mailing Address

8637 HOMEPLACE DR 8637 HOMEPLACE DR **JACKSONVILLE, FL 32256 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32256** Sub-sector: K6 TAZ: 500 Sub-sector: K6 TAZ: 500

Employment/School

Occupation: Employer:

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School Last Attended: Country of Citizenship: UNITED STATES US Citizen?: YES Residence Type: CITY Residence Status: RESIDENT ECD Usage: RTR written related to this incident?: NO RTR Incident Yr: RTR Incident #: Drugs Involved?: UNKNOWN Alcohol Involved?: UNKNOWN Computer Involved?: UNKNOWN Is Arrestee a Gang member?: NO Required to register as a sex offender?: UNKNOWN Suspect Invoke Miranda?: S119 Miranda Rights Given?: NO Arrestee Confessed?: 5119 Arrestee needs ADA Consideration?: NO Weapon(s) Involved Weapon(s): NOT APPLICABLE (NONE) Offense(s) Statute #: 812.0195(2) Degree: F1 UCR Code: Attempt Code: Committed **DEALING IN STOLEN PROPERTY BY USE OF INTERNET** Citation #: 25AF049571AD Warrant Type: Local Arrest Warrant JSO Control #: 1748353 Warrant/Case #: 16-2025-AF-159067-FXXX-MA No. of Counts: Rhonda Jurisdiction: FLORIDA Court Location/Div.: Judge: **Peoples-Waters** Purge/Bond Type: Bond Bond Amount: \$50,003.00 Date of Issue 08/25/2025 Date of Return: 08/27/2025 Criminal Activity Type: Buying/Receiving VOP/FTA ONLY Original Statute No: Degree: UCR Code: Attempt Code: Committed Description: #2 Statute #: 817.034(4)(a)1 Degree: F1 UCR Code: Attempt Code: Committed **ORGANIZED FRAUD** Citation #: 25AF049571AD Warrant Type: Local Arrest Warrant JSO Control #: 1748353 Warrant/Case #: 16-2025-AF-159067-FXXX-MA No. of Counts: Rhonda Jurisdiction: FLORIDA Court Location/Div.: **Peoples-Waters** Purge/Bond Type:Bond Bond Amount: \$50,003.00 Date of Issue: 08/25/2025 Date of Return: 08/27/2025 Criminal Activity Type: VOP/FTA ONLY Original Statute No: UCR Code: Attempt Code: Committed Degree: Description: UCR Code: #3 Statute #: 817.52(1) Degree: F3 Attempt Code: Committed **OBTAINING MOTOR VEHICLE WITH INTENT TO DEFRAUD** 25AF049571AD Warrant Type: Local Arrest Warrant JSO Control #: 1748353 Warrant/Case #: 16-2025-AF-159067-FXXX-MA No. of Counts: Rhonda Jurisdiction: FLORIDA Court Location/Div.: **Peoples-Waters** Purge/Bond Type: Bond Bond Amount: \$25,003.00 Date of Issue: 08/25/2025 Date of Return: 08/27/2025 Criminal Activity Type: VOP/FTA ONLY Original Statute No: UCR Code: Attempt Code: Committed Degree: Description: Additional Information The Subject turned himself at the Jail Utilizing the Rapid Process Method. Local Affidavit warrant served at the jail.

The subject requires a GPS Monitor prior to release.

Case cleared by arrest.

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Your Affiant, Robert T. Bell, have been a sworn law enforcement officer for 17 years. Your Affiant has been employed with the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office for seven years and I am currently assigned to the Economic Crimes Unit. My responsibilities are to detect and to apprehend persons/organizations engaged in illegal fraudulent activity in accordance with Florida state statues.

On June 5th, 2025, the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office ("JSO") responded to 11619 Beach Boulevard (Bul Auto Sales, dba Karma Jacksonville) in reference to an organized fraud scheme.

F.S.119.071(2)(C)

The same modus operandi was used in the following incidents 2025-323411, 2025-323496, 2025-323617. See original reports for further details

INVESTIGATIVE DETAIL:

On June 6th, 2025, your Affiant was assigned the following case(s): 2025-323411, 2025-323496 and 2025-323617.

A review of the cases yielded the following:

JSO Report: 2025-323617

In May 2025, victim, Narayanan Venkatakrishnan ("Venkatakrishnam") stated he saw the 2019 Chevy Corvette ZR1 bearing VIN-1G1Y42D96K5801381 for sale by Bul Auto Sales dba, Karma Jacksonville on the bringatrailer.com website. Venkatakrishnan stated he won the bid on the vehicle for \$235,000.00. Venkatakrishnan stated on May 29th, 2025, he wired \$235,000.00 to the suspect Vladimir Ranguelov's ("Ranguelov") Arrow bank account ending in 8633. Venkatakrishnan advised he received the title and purchaser agreement in the mail to complete the transaction.

On June 5th, 2025, Venkatakrishnan flew from Dallas, Texas to retrieve the 2019 Chevy Corvette from Bul Auto Sales dba, Karma Jacksonville, Florida. Venkatakrishnan stated he made numerous attempts to reach Ranguelov by phone and was unsuccessful. Venkatakrishnam stated he responded to Ranguelov's dealership. Upon arrival, Venkatakrishnan stated additional victims were at the dealership at which time he was informed from the other victims that the business was permanently closed.

A review of the title showed Samuel Fallon (seller/victm) ("Fallon") and Bul Auto Sales dba, Karma Jacksonville (purchaser), Igor Westerman (lead sales agent) ("Westerman") signatures on the document, dated May 5th, 2025. However, it should be noted this title had an issue date of May 27th, 2025.

Fallon the owner of the 2019 Chevy Corvette ZR1 advised he contracted Westerman to sell the vehicle. Fallon was to be paid the purchase price once the vehicle was sold.

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On June 5th, 2025, Auxiliary Officer G.W. Morningstar #81555 contacted the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office Auto Crimes and Economic Crimes Unit in reference to this incident.

Auto Crimes Detective J. P. Kelley #7876 and your Affiant responded to 11619 Beach Boulevard, Jacksonville, Florida (Bul Auto Sales dba Karma, Jacksonville) in reference to this complaint. Fallen, Venkatakrishnan, Nassar, Workman, and attorney Patrick Korody ("Korody") who is representing Ranguelov were all present at the dealership.

The 2019 Chevy Corvette was locked inside the business. Korody gave the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office permission and allowed access to obtain the vehicle per his client Ranguelov. The vehicle was towed and placed into a safe storage, pending civil and criminal proceedings.

A subpoena was issued to Arrow bank for Ranguelov's bank records. Your Affiant contacted bringatrailer.com and requested information on Bul Auto sales dba, Karma Jacksonville. Venkatakrishnan stated the total loss involving this transaction is \$235,000.00.

On June 10th, 2025, your Affiant contacted Richard Blanco, Senior Motor Vehicle Investigator and Michael DuBois with Florida Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles ("FLHSMV") regarding Bul Auto sales dba, Karma Jacksonville. FLHSMV provided vehicle registration records for all the listed vehicles.

- 1994 Porsche 911 (25-323411) - 2022 McLaren 720S (25-323496)

- 2019 Chevrolet Corvette ZR1 (25-323617)

A review of the records confirmed the sale of the McLaren was voided after Peter Nassar ("Nassar") purchased and received the vehicle from Ranguelov (2025-323496).



FLHSMV records also discovered nine individuals who purchased vehicles from Bul Auto Sales dba, Karma Jacksonville between March 2025-May 2025 that had transactions status in "pending". These individuals were contacted and notified about the status of their vehicle(s). All these individuals had financing in place and were instructed to contact the FLHSMV to correct the registration issues created by Bul Auto Sales dba, Karma Jacksonville.

JSO Report: 2025-474924

On June 16th, 2025, victim Patrick Murray ("Murray") contacted your Affiant via email about a 2023 Range Rover Sport bearing VIN SAL1P9EU4PA113222. Murray stated he purchased a 2023 Range Rover Sport from Ranguelov in February 2025 based on a recommendation from friends in Florida. Murray stated his friends knew Ranguelov from New York and have purchased several cars from him over the years. Ranguelov informed Murray he located the Range Rover at a Land Rover dealership in Rocklin, California.

Murray stated on February 13th, 2025, he wired \$91,986.34 to Ranguelov's Arrow bank account ending in 8633 to complete the transaction. Murray advised your Affiant that Ranguelov informed him it would take a couple of weeks to receive the vehicle from California.

Murray stated a couple of weeks went by and he contacted Ranguelov for a status update. Ranguelov stated he had the vehicle in his possession, but it had two defective wheel rims, which the California dealer agreed to pay for. Ranguelov further stated there were no replacements wheel rims to be found in the U.S. due to the embargo with Great Britain. Ranguelov stated he ordered new rims from the England factory and should be delivered in four to six weeks. Murray advised your Affiant that he informed Ranguelov that this was unacceptable, and he wanted his money back because he needed a vehicle. Ranguelov then offered to ship his personal vehicle to use until Range Rover was ready. Murray stated he agreed, and he is still in possession of Ranguelov's personal vehicle. Murray stated he heard that Ranguelov has since closed Bul Auto Sales dba, Karma Jacksonville and never received the Range Rover he purchased in February 2025. It should be noted Murray stated due to the Ranguelov closing his dealership's and ending all communication, he did not know what to do with Ranguelov's personal vehicle in his possession. Murray advised the total loss from the transaction \$91, 986.34.

JSO Report: 2025-323411

David Workman ("Workman") advised that in December 2024, he entered into verbal agreement with Ranguelov to sell his 1994 Porsche 911 bearing VIN Art.1 s.16(b)(5) on the website bringatrailer.com. Workman advised Ranguelov sold the vehicle for \$160,000.00 and per the agreement Workman was entitled to \$153,000.00.

Workman stated from December 2024 to June 2025 Ranguelov made no attempts to honor the agreement and pay him for the sale of the vehicle. Workman stated he attempted to contact Ranguelov and was advised by Korody that Ranguelov is closing Bul Auto Sales, dba Karma Jacksonville and filing bankruptcy.

On June 12th, 2025, your Affiant requested information on the sale of the Porsche from bringatrailer.com. Customer Experience Manager, Reed Williams ("Williams") with Bringatrailer.com identified the username "JH Holliday" as Stuart Garber "Garber". Williams provided contact information for Stuart Garber.

On June 13th, 2025, your Affiant spoke with Garber via phone. Garber stated in December 2024 he saw the 1994 Porsche 911 for sale by Bul Auto Sales dba, Karma Jacksonville on the bringatrailer.com website. Garber stated he won the bid on the vehicle for \$160,000.00. Garber stated on December 4th, 2024, he had his friend, Paul Cox ("Cox") (Marshall Trust) wire \$160,000.00 to Ranguelov's Arrow bank account ending in 8633 to complete the transaction.

On June 23rd, 2025, Detective S. D. Snead #7904 and your Affiant traveled to 11702 Beach Boulevard (Strike-Zone Fishing) to follow up on this investigation. Workman stated F.S.119.071(2)(C)

Workman advised the total loss from the transaction

\$153,000.00.

JSO Report: 2025-323496

Peter Nassar ("Nassar") stated on February 18th, 2025, he purchased a 2022 McLaren 720S bearing VIN SBM14FCA9NW006617

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from Bul Auto Sales FL dba, Karma Jacksonville. Nassar wired \$211,000.00 to Arrow bank account ending in 8633. Nassar stated he left the dealership with a new tag, registration and an electronic title.

Nassar stated in May 2025 he received a text message from Ranguelov, Bul Auto Sales dba, Karma Jacksonville indicating he had a potential buyer for the 2022 McLaren 720S. Nassar stated he spoke with Ranguelov via phone. During the conversation, Ranguelov stated he had a local buyer that was interested in purchasing the McLaren for approximately \$284,000.00. Ranguelov requested that Nassar bring the vehicle to the showroom on May 5th, 2025, so it could be shown to the potential buyer. Nassar stated during his conversation with Ranguelov he informed him that he was not interested in any long-term transaction and would only entertain an immediate cash sale of the vehicle. Ranguelov indicated the sale of the 2022 McLaren 720S would be completed by May 6th, 2025.

On May 5th, 2025, Nick Gravelle (service manager) from Bul Auto Sales FL dba, Karma Jacksonville took possession of the McLaren from Nassar and transported it to the dealership located at 11619 Beach Boulevard Jacksonville, Florida. Nassar stated later that evening he and Ranguelov exchanged text messages regarding the status of the sale. Ranguelov stated the sale was complete and the buyer would be paying in full the following day.

It should be noted that Nassar and Ranguelov also entered into a loan agreement for \$300,000.00. Ranguelov promised that this loan would be used to finance the purchase of a Rolls-Royce vehicle for immediate resale. Ranguelov F.S.119.071(2)(C)

Nassar wired \$300,000.00 to Arrow

bank account ending in 8633.

On May 6th, 2025, Nassar stated he called Ranguelov about the status of the sale. Ranguelov

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On May 8th, 2025 Nassar stated he called Ranguelov about the status of sale. Ranguelov stated the buyer had now obtained financing through Bank of America for the vehicle and that payment would occur the following week.

On May 9th, 2025, Nassar went to Bul Auto Sales dba, Karma Jacksonville, at which time he spoke to Ranguelov who informed him the buyer obtained financing, and the vehicle had been released.

On June 3rd, 2025, Nassar was contacted by Ranguelov's attorney, Korody, representing Bul Auto Sales, dba Karma Jacksonville. Korody advised, Ranguelov's dealerships belonging to him were bankrupt and are now closed.

On June 4th, 2025, Nassar spoke with lead salesperson, Igor Westerman ("Westerman") (Suspect 2). Westerman stated

Nassar stated after being notified by attorney Korody that Bul Auto Sales dba, Karma Jacksonville was closed and realizing the vehicle was taken to Vermont, he went to the FLHSMV to secure the electronic title. Upon arrival, Nassar learned the registration was entered under his corporation and then later voided as a cancelled transaction. Nassar advised the total loss from the transactions is \$511,000.00.

On June 10th, 2025, your Affiant contacted FLHSMV Regional Administrator, Dubois regarding Bul Auto sales dba, Karma Jacksonville. Dubois confirmed that the February sale of McLaren to Nassar was voided on February 15th, 2025.

On June 16th, 2025, your Affiant spoke with Rucinski via phone. Rucinski is the owner of Stevens Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram of E.S.119.071(2)(C)

Continuing this date, your Affiant then spoke with Mike Benzinger ("Benzinger") via phone. During the conversation, Benzinger indicated he is the owner of Luxury Auto Group Inc. in Albert Lea, Minnesota. Benzinger stated on March 17th, 2025, he entered into an agreement with Bul Auto Sales dba, Karma Jacksonville to purchase the McLaren and two other vehicles. It should be noted that Nassar had possession of the McLaren at the time of this transaction. Benzinger then wired \$395,500.00 to Arrow bank account ending in 3701.

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Benzinger stated he traveled to Jacksonville, Florida the week of March 27th, 2025, and learned Ranguelov did not have the McLaren at the dealership. Benzinger F.S.119.071(2)(C)

The approximate combined loss is \$990,986.34.

Case Summary:

Ranguelov (owner Bul Auto Sales dba, Karma Jacksonville, Defendant #1) and Westerman (Lead Salesman, Defendant #2)

F.S.119.071(2)(C)

Based on the totality of the circumstances surrounding these incidents, your Affiant does have probable cause to believe Ranguelov did violate F.S.S 817.034(4), Organized Fraud; F.S.S 817.52(1), Obtaining vehicles with intent to defraud; F.S.S. 812.0195(2), Dealing in stolen property by use of internet. Your Affiant does have probable cause to believe Westerman did violate F.S.S 817.52(1); Obtaining vehicles with intent to defraud; F.S.S. 812.0195(2), Dealing in stolen property by use of internet. Between December 2024-June 2025 through an ongoing course of conduct Ranguelov (Suspect 1) and Westerman (Suspect 2) F.S.119.071(2)(C)

Signature

I, S.M. LYON (#68526), swear or affirm that the information provided within this affidavit and any additional documentation referenced in this affidavit to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Arresting Officer #1: /s/ S.M. LYON (#68526)

Div/District or Unit: JAILS

Sworn to me this 27th day of August, 2025, by the referenced arresting officer under oath. The officer is personally known to me.

Approving Supervisor: /s/ T.P. STAFFORD (#67253) Status: Approved

Administrative

Transported By: S.M. LYON (#68526) Arresting Officer #2: N/A

Num of Cases Cleared:

Additional Reviewers

Report Reviewer 2: /s/ D.D. BOSTON (#65272) Status: Approved

Report approved on: 08/27/2025 11:54

Investigation Time #1

Hour(s): **00** Minute(s): **25** Cost Amount: **\$20.10**

Additional Question(s)

Body Worn Camera Footage

01 Is there Body Worn Camera (BWC) footage for incident?:

Jail Information (Back Door)

Date and Time Admitted: 08/27/2025 11:55

Jail Number: 2025018535 Juvenile/Court Clerk #:

Triage Questions

Involved in Traffic Accident?: NO Injuries from Accident?:

Was OC Deployed Prior to/during Arrest?: NO Was a total appendage restraint used on the arrestee/inmate?: NO

Was pro-straint chair used on arrestee before admission to jail?: NO

Does the Arrestee Exhibit any Signs of Suicidal Behavior or Attempts?: NO Does the Arrested have any Observable Medical/Mental Health Problems?: NO

Has the Arrestee Shown any Escape Potential or Violence Propensity Behaviors?: NO

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Is there any other Information about the Arrestee that Jail Personnel need to Know?: **NO** If Yes, What?:

	Part II of Arrest And Booking Report:	

Arrestee Personal Information: How Long in Jax?

Specimen:				
Blood	Breath	Urine	Unable	None
Analysis Res	ults:			Refused:
1st	g/210L	TIME:		Blood:
2nd	g/210L	TIME:		Breath:
3rd	g/210L	TIME:		Urine:
Breath Test II	nstrument:			
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