

“Insider theft”

From our Investigators' Closed Case Files

NOTE: Our CCF are only released upon a client's consent or are public records derived from a mix of several old cases.

THE SITUATION

The sole distributor of an exclusive retail item learned that the company's product was being sold on an Internet auction site - at below wholesale prices-2000miles away. The client suspected a cash strapped rogue retailer, a counterfeit reproduction issue or outright thefts from the company. outright thefts from the company.

THE INVESTIGATION

Forensic analysis quickly established that the product - obtained by investigators on the auction site - was genuine and not counterfeit. Additional inquiries eliminated a rogue retailer. Research showed the seller appeared to be 2000 miles away - but had some affiliation with the distributor. After purchasing bulk quantities of the product from the seller, those “buys,” carefully orchestrated by our investigators, captured a distributor's employee on video selling to our undercover investigators. A subsequent interview of that employee provided information about significant thefts from the company - including the identity of others involved.

THE RESULTS

Our research showed that the cellular calls made to our undercover investigators by these employees were routed via our client's own Wi-Fi system. Additionally, we obtained physical, electronic, photographic, eyewitness and documentary evidence - along with signed confessions. During our in-person “buys” we used state specific license plates, area code appropriate telephone numbers and UC email addresses. In court, those involved admitted to their acts and the prosecutor termed our evidence as **“strong and overwhelming.”** The court ordered suspended jail sentences and restitution.

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