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2025 Mississippi Women's Summit

Earlier this month, more than 600 women from across Mississippi gathered at our second annual Mississippi Women's Summit. This year's Summit put a particular emphasis on financial empowerment. With powerful speakers like Elizabeth Randall, Founder and President of Randall Commercial Group in Oxford, and Sarah Catherine Gutierrez, author of *But First, Save 10: The One Simple Money Move That Will Change Your Life*, attendees left with tips and ideas to help them build wealth through which they can accomplish their personal and professional goals. The Summit also featured nearly 50 Mississippi women-owned businesses in our marketplace, giving them an opportunity to build networks of support that reach across our great State.

Of course, Fox News Sunday's host, Shannon Bream, delivered an inspirational keynote address and the Mississippi arts were on full display with performances by Poplarville natives Chapel Hart and Hattiesburg comedian Mary Ryan Brown. Next year's Summit will be Monday, August 31 and Tuesday, September 1 at the Sheraton Refuge in Flowood. Click **HERE** to register. Click the video below to listen to my interview with Supertalk, live from this year's Summit.



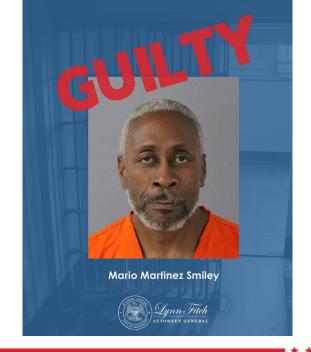
Protecting Our State From Fraud

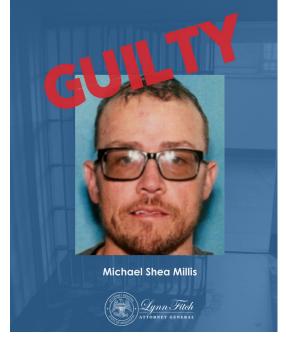
This month, my office announced sentencing in two fraud cases. <u>Michael Shea Millis</u> of Oktibbeha County, Mississippi, was sentenced for one count of felony false pretense, and <u>Mario Martinez Smiley</u> of Fort Worth, Texas, for one count of wire fraud.

Millis, a former employee of State Farm Insurance Company, knowingly filed false insurance claims to defraud the company. He was sentenced to pay full restitution in the amount of \$47,804.81 to State Farm Insurance Company, \$250.00 in fines, and a \$1,000.00 assessment to the Mississippi Crime Victim Compensation Fund. He was also sentenced to serve 10 years of probation.

Smiley was sentenced to 21 months in the custody of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, with 3 years of post-release supervision. He was also ordered to pay \$120,747.28 in restitution to both Ally Motors Insurance and Mac Haik Ford. This case was investigated by the Cyber Fraud Task Force, an initiative of the Mississippi Attorney General's Office in partnership with the U.S. Secret Service.

My office will continue to hold those who defraud businesses in our State accountable. Fraud is not a victimless crime, and I am proud to work with partners from across the country to ensure that justice was served for these Mississippi businesses.





The Empower Podcast

I was so pleased to sit down with Grant Callen for the Empower Podcast to discuss the important work that the Attorney General's Office is doing each day to serve and protect Mississippians. Listen to the full interview **HERE**.



May God bless you,



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