AG Fitch Announces Sentencing in Fraud Scheme



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(Jackson, Mississippi) Today, Attorney General Lynn Fitch announced the sentencing in federal court of Romanian national Loredana Gianina Sava, 36, on one count of Wire Fraud. This case was investigated by the Mississippi Attorney General's Office with assistance from the United States Secret Service. The case was prosecuted by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Mississippi. The Attorney General's Cyber Fraud Task Force is responsible for recovering \$2.6 million in victim funds for Mississippi citizens.

"I am proud of the work our Cyber Fraud Task Force did to attain justice for the retailers who were victims of this crime. Financial schemes like this undermine Mississippi businesses and hardworking individuals," said Attorney General Lynn Fitch. "Thank you to our partners at the U.S. Attorney's Office for helping us hold this perpetrator accountable."

Sava could be seen on surveillance video at various stores in the Jackson metro area requesting wire transfers using sleight-of-hand quick change techniques to trick cashiers. These schemes often use a distraction to pocket cash while also getting the correct change for the original large bill, getting away with more money than they started with. Investigations into Sava's fraudulent activities led to the discovery of over 300 instances of wire fraud throughout the eastern half of the United States. Here you can see Sava using the sleight-of-hand technique.

On December 18, 2025, **Judge Kristi H. Johnson** of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi sentenced Sava to 6 months of imprisonment in the custody of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, as well as one year of supervised release. Sava was ordered to pay \$6,500 in restitution to the retailers that were affected. Sava entered the country illegally and will be subject to deportation upon release from prison.



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