



Criminal Division
U.S. Department of Justice

Fraud Section Enforcement Related to the CARES Act

[March 10, 2022 DOJ Press Release](#)

On March 10, 2022, the Justice Department announced the appointment of Associate Deputy Attorney General Kevin Chambers as Director for COVID-19 Fraud Enforcement. Mr. Chambers will lead the department's criminal and civil enforcement efforts to combat COVID-19 related fraud, which efforts have to date have resulted in criminal charges against over 1,000 defendants with alleged losses exceeding \$1.1 billion; the seizure of over \$1 billion in Economic Injury Disaster Loan proceeds; and over 240 civil investigations into more than 1,800 individuals and entities for alleged misconduct in connection with pandemic relief loans totaling more than \$6 billion.

[May 17, 2021 DOJ Press Release](#)

On May 17, 2021, the Attorney General established the COVID-19 Fraud Enforcement Task Force to marshal the resources of the Department of Justice in partnership with agencies across government to enhance efforts to combat and prevent pandemic-related fraud. The Task Force bolsters efforts to investigate and prosecute the most culpable domestic and international criminal actors and assists agencies tasked with administering relief programs to prevent fraud by, among other methods, augmenting and incorporating existing coordination mechanisms, identifying resources and techniques to uncover fraudulent actors and their schemes, and sharing and harnessing information and insights gained from prior enforcement efforts.

[Mar. 26, 2021 DOJ Press Release](#)

The Fraud Section leads investigations and prosecutions of fraud, false statements, and money laundering related to the CARES Act passed by Congress in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic. Working alongside law enforcement partners and U.S. Attorneys' Offices, the Fraud Section has charged over a hundred defendants with fraud connected to the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) and Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL). These efforts have helped

to protect the integrity of Small Business Administration programs and deter wrongdoing during the COVID-19 pandemic.

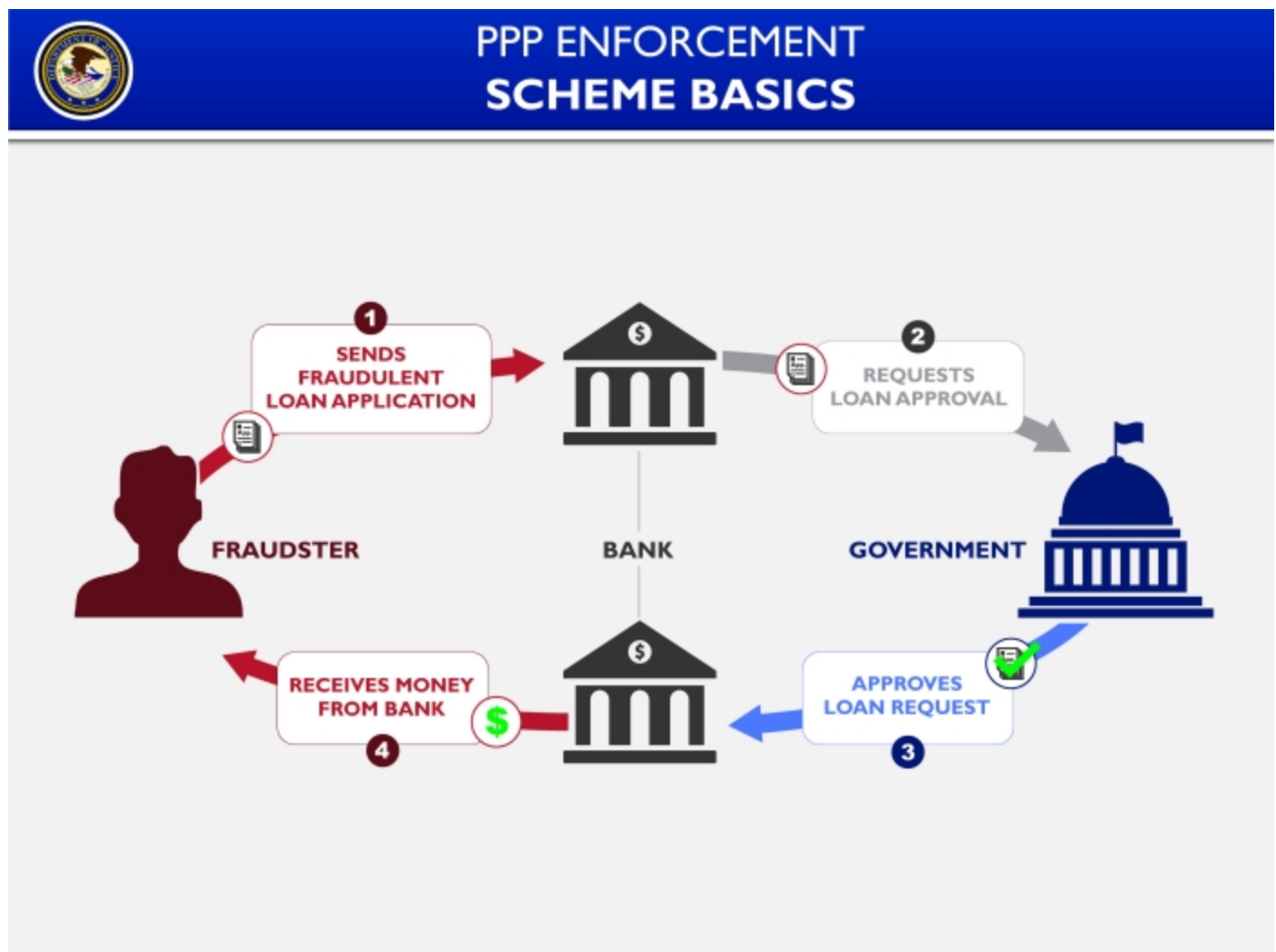
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Remarks:

[March 26, 2021 Statement from Acting AAG Nick McQuaid](#)

[Acting Assistant Attorney General Brian Rabbitt Delivers Remarks at the PPP Criminal Fraud Enforcement Action Press Conference](#)

Graphics and Images:



Court Documents (Cases Publicly Charged up to December 6, 2021)

Please note the court documents below have all been unsealed.

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Northern District of California

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District of Colorado

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District of Columbia

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Northern District of Georgia

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Western District of New York

- **U.S. v. Arena, et al.**

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Eastern District of North Carolina

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Western District of North Carolina

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Northern District of Ohio

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