

TIMELINE OF EVENTS

- 08/02/07 Macy's Northland Loss Prevention Personnel apprehended a shoplifter, who states that he is selling merchandise to "Da Hook Up." He will not cooperate with loss prevention in a "sting" operation and is turned over to law enforcement.
- 08/03/07 Fairlane Macy's Loss Prevention Personnel apprehend two women shoplifting merchandise. They are selling goods to "Da Hook Up" and "Da Jump Off" to a person named "Mo." Will cooperate with loss prevention in a "sting" operation.
- 08/03/07 thru 08/29/07 Macy's Organized Retail Crime Unit ("ORC") (headed by Bucher and Griffin-Boatman), conduct investigation of "Da Hook Up," "Da Jump Off" and "Off Da Hook" – all owned by Plaintiff's relatives. They suspect stores are selling stolen and counterfeit merchandise.
- 08/29/09 Macy's ORC meets with Wayne County Deputy Kristyn Montgomery to discuss findings. Wayne County agrees to partner with Macy in investigation.
- 10/22/07 Wayne County Sheriff Deputy Maxwell sells Macy's merchandise to Mohammad ("Mo") Aoun, employee of "Da Hook Up." Macy's clothing is identified with ultraviolet markings and pin pricked tags.
- 11/06/07 Deputy Maxwell sells additional Macy's merchandise to Mohammad Aoun. Bucher and Macy's employee Marc Haire follow Mohammad Aoun to his home. They observe him carrying Macy's bags containing clothing (just sold by Maxwell to Mohammad Aoun). Bucher and Haire then observe Mohammad Aoun deliver the bags to Goodfellas Wear.
- 11/07/07 Task team enter Goodfellas and attempts to purchases Macy's clothes (sold by Maxwell day before, and brought to Goodfellas by Mohammad Aoun); could not identify any stolen merchandise at that time.
- 11/08/07 Home Depot and Target partner with Wayne County Sheriff's Department and Macy's to sell stolen merchandise to Mohammad Aoun.
- 12/04/07 Wayne County Sheriff Deputy Maxwell sells Macy's allegedly stolen more stolen merchandise to Mohammad Aoun.

- 12/5/07 Macy's employee, Vereea Griffin-Boatman and Deputy Montgomery enter Goodfellas looking for merchandise that Maxwell sold to Mohammad Aoun on 12/4/07. Vereea Griffin-Boatman did not locate any of the 12/4/07 merchandise, but identified merchandise from the 11/6/07 sale by Maxwell. The items were identified as one pair of Coogi jeans and one white Coogi top. Vereea Griffin-Boatman was able to identify these items because of the pin pricks in the tags that were placed by Macy's ORC.
- 12/6/07 Wayne County Sheriff's Deputy Montgomery and Vereea Griffin-Boatman return to Goodfellas and purchase the above-identified jeans and top. They have conversation with plaintiff Wissam Aoun.
- 12/12/07 Search warrant issued and the raid on Goodfellas transpires. At least 29 Macy's items with pin prick and ultraviolet identifiers are seized.
- 12/17/07 Plaintiffs file a Complaint for a claim and delivery (Case No. 07-733098-PD), against Wayne County's Sheriff's Department alleging that items taken during the raid were outside the scope of the search warrant. .
- 1/28/08 Judge Wendy Baxter orders inventory of merchandise taken to try to ascertain whether additional Macy's merchandise could be specifically identified among items seized. Thereafter, Doug Bucher, pursuant to the Court's Order, contacted vendors.
- 2/22/08 Show Cause Hearing in claim and delivery action wherein Wayne County and Plaintiffs' attorney, Cyril Hall, indicate that the inventory took place and other than the 29 items, unable to determine if other items seized were stolen or legitimately purchased by plaintiffs.
- 3/11/08 Court Order of Dismissal.
- 4/08 Merchandise is returned to Plaintiffs.
- 12/10/08 Plaintiffs file instant action against Wayne County Sheriff Department and Macy's.