



Monitoring the Trial of Emmanuel Toto Constant: July 16th 2008: Prosecution Continues to Call Witnesses

Three witnesses were called on this day.

Witness 1: the Vice President of Residential Lending at Freemont Investment & Loan

Mr. Constant and his colleagues worked with Freemont to get a loan for a property. The witness was not employed by Freemont at the time, but she explained the company's policies and procedures.

2nd Witness: a former romantic partner of Mr. Constant and mother of two of his children-

This witness now lives in Pennsylvania. She met Mr. Constant in 1996 at a relative's home. She found him very charming, and they began a relationship during which he referred to her as his wife. Mr. Constant urged her, a flight attendant, to take a real estate course and get a license to work (for him) as an agent.

Upon passing the test and receiving her license, she was initially told to do secretarial tasks for Mr. Constant's corporation. He asked her to write checks, make deposits, make calls and send faxes. She never questioned what she was doing. She was not paid a regular salary, but was given money. The witness explained that he was the head of the household, and was not to be questioned; it's a cultural thing, she said.

She wanted to form her own corporation, so she and Mr. Constant decided to create Mahaiden, a property management corporation. Mr. Constant gave her property addresses and asked her to manage them. During questioning, the defense made efforts to prove that she was a more cognizant collaborator, but she insisted that Emmanuel told her to do so. She was not let in on what her tasks were about, and when she was brought or sent to closings on properties, she was not familiar with the characters present or the specifics of the deal. The defense asked her if she knew a list of people who were involved in Mr. Constant's schemes; she did not.

Witness 3: a real estate broker, involved in over 100 fraudulent deals

This witness was an expert forger for titles and checks.

The witness agreed to cooperate with authorities and is hoping to avoid jail time. He explained the ABC scheme to the jury.

He discussed the property at 87 Monroe Street, which he purchased in 2002 for \$245,000. He admitted that he masterminded countless fraudulent real estate schemes.

The witness described the last document he forged for Mr. Constant. He said Mr. Constant was very pleased with his work and promised to pay him \$1000. He never did.

Court was dismissed and the witness was asked to return the following day for additional questioning.