

Investigation Report

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Verification of Residency of Harry Sidhu

On the afternoon of Thursday, March 11, 2010, I went to the Calabria Apartments, 2230 W. Lincoln Ave., Apartment 106, Anaheim, CA 92801 to verify a residency claim of Harry Sidhu at that address. This apartment complex is situated mid-block with the front of the property facing north on W. Lincoln between Gilbert and Brookhurst Streets. The property is secured by approximately an 8' rod iron fence. The fence has a secure combination/intercom box pedestrian gate on the north/west corner of the property to permit authorized pedestrian access only. The residents also have access to the property via an access road/driveway on the western side of the property with underground parking under the complex to the east as you enter the driveway. The underground parking is also secured by rolling metal rod iron gates that appear to be kept secure and only permit access to authorized persons and vehicles via remote control. The access road garage area and the entire exterior perimeter of the property appear to be monitored by numerous security cameras.

Visual Inspection of Apartment 106

I knocked on the door to Apt. 106 several times. I received no answer and it did not sound as if anyone was home. While walking by, I could see into the kitchen and noticed the apartment was vacant. The living room blinds were partially closed preventing a view of the living room and hallway. I made note that the kitchen had absolutely no utensils, appliances, etc. and obviously was missing a refrigerator. The apartment appeared to be completely lacking furniture and/or décor of any type.

I interviewed several neighbors living in the direct vicinity of apartment 106 within the apartment complex at the above address.

Interview of Tin Tran – Apt. 214

I spoke with Ms. Tin Tran who resides in apartment #214 diagonally across the walkway and upstairs from apartment 106. She said, "I have not ever seen anyone there. I don't think anyone lives there." I showed her photographs of Harry Sidhu, (See Attachment A) and she replied, "I haven't ever seen him here."

End of interview

Interview of Mohammad Kumal – Apt. 110

I spoke to resident Mohammad Kumal as he was walking past Apt. 106. Kumal said he lives in Apt. 110. I asked him if he knows the people that live in Apt. 106 and he said, "I don't think anyone has lived there in a couple years. Before that, I think they were Palestinians". I showed Kumal the photographs of Mr. Sidhu, he said he had never seen Sidhu at the complex.

End of interview

Attempted contact – Apt. 116

I knocked on Apt. 116 which is directly across from #106 and received no answer. Upon further inspection, I could see into the apartment through the front window and kitchen window near the door. The apartment appeared vacant.

Interview with Paula and Stephan Tunstall – Apt. 117

I knocked on Apt. 117 also across from Apt. 106. Paula Tunstall answered her door and stepped outside to talk to me. I pointed to Apt. 106 and asked her if she knew who lived there. Ms. Tunstall said she doesn't believe anyone has lived in that apartment in quite some time. She told me she is disabled and home bound most of the time, but observant of her neighbors. She also explained that because of language barriers created by the cultural diversity among the residents of the complex, she often cannot communicate with many of them other than waving and saying hi as they pass. Tunstall said she could tell me about most of her other surrounding neighbors but have not known anyone to live in Apt. 106. While talking to Ms. Tunstall in front of her apartment, her son Stephen returned home. Stephen Tunstall told me he is a college student. Stephen also confirmed he has not seen anyone coming or going from Apt. 106 and also doesn't believe anyone has lived there for some time. Ms. Tunstall directed me to the neighbor directly next door to #106, in apartment #105.

End of interview

Interview with Bill Bui – Apt. 105

I knocked on the door and spoke to a juvenile boy named Billy Bui who said he was 12 years of age. Billy said his Grandmother is currently in Asia, his father and Grandfather are both deceased and he is living in the apartment with his mother. Billy said his mother was at work but talked to me at the door. I asked Billy if he knows who lives next door to him and he said "nobody lives there". He continued, "There were three really mean kids that lived there a long time ago." When I asked him how long ago they lived there, he said, "Well, I was in fourth grade." I asked Billy, "What grade are you in now?" Billy responded, "I'm in sixth grade now". I asked Billy, "So, has it been empty since they left, about two years ago?" Billy said, "Yeah."

End of interview

I left the apartment complex to return the next day to speak to the apartment complex manager.

Interview with On-Site Property Manager

On the morning of March 12, 2010, I spoke to who answered the call box at the security gate intercom when I dialed the number posted for the manager's apt. Came to the gate to inquire as to why I was there. Upon explaining that I was trying to verify someone's residency in Apartment 106, welcomed me through the gate, and onto the property.

and the on-site apartment manager. She was very hospitable and welcoming.

led me into her office located in the center of the complex and looked through her handwritten renter's file directly behind her desk. said my inquiry into apartment 106 "struck a note with me, because that was a very odd situation. That's not how you do business. That's not how I do business." explained that her boss, Tilak Chopra told her specifically that she was to rent Apartment 106 to his friend, Harry. said Chopra told her he "would take care of everything to do with it".

pulled a handwritten, lined log form from the file behind her desk. She said that this form is the only information she has on the renter of Apartment 106. She showed me where she had handwritten the heading on the top of the paper, "Harish Sidhu". She explained how she had managed this property for the past eighteen years, but she distinctly remembers this particular rental agreement because "it was not how I like to do business". further explained that back in December 2009, she received an odd telephone call from one of the co-owners of the property, Tilak Chopra. Mr. Chopra told her to rent the apartment to Mr. Sidhu. She was given specific instructions not to ask for rent from Mr. Sidhu and not to have any contact with him. was under the impression that the new renter, Mr. Sidhu, was a close friend of Mr. Chopra. said she did as she was told, but she also immediately called the other co-owner, Sue Malick and informed her of the situation and her uneasiness with it. said that Sue was also upset and agreed that this was not a good way to do said she informed Sue because "seeing how she keeps business. the books, she wouldn't be pleased." said Sue never made mention of it again and didn't appear to know anything more about the arrangement that

documented Mr. Chopra's instructions for her own reference on a form that she would normally start for a new renter and filed it in the file box behind her desk. On the form, **she wrote Harrish Sidhu**, **move-in date of 12-29-09**, and documented she issued him 2 remotes, 2 house keys and 1 mailbox key. She also wrote near the bottom of this form "will be taken charge by Mr. Tilak". **Must** added she never received any rent, application or rental agreement and had "no idea who this was". **Solution** said she thought, "Must be a pretty good friend to just let him stay in an apartment that usually runs \$1395 a month for rent".

I showed the photographs Mr. Sidhu. Total told me immediately that she recognized him but could not be sure from where. Then quickly determined she was familiar with the man from pictures she had seen of Anaheim City Councilmen. She was quite sure she knew he was the person just to the left of the Mayor in the pictures of the city council members. At the same time, was sure that the person who rented apartment 106 **was not** the person pictured and identified as Anaheim City Councilman Harry Sidhu.

positive that she has never seen Mr. Sidhu in person at the apartment complex.

said she only saw one person who she believed to be the occupant of Apartment 106 and then only briefly on two separate occasions. She said she saw a single man who introduced himself as Harry to her and asked her to open up a side gate to unload a refrigerator to install in apartment 106. Said this man was driving a white truck but could not provide any more detail. Then, in an action she considered odd, the same man returned a few days to a week later and moved the same refrigerator back out of the apartment loading it back into the same white truck. Solve is very sure that the man that moved the refrigerator in and out of apartment 106 is not the same man depicted in the photographs I showed her of Harry Sidhu. Sidhu stated he did identify himself to her as "Harry."

has no documentation about when the apartment was vacated, if ever resided in at all because she never saw anyone there. After inquiring about it to Mr. Chopra in late January 2010, he informed her she could go ahead and enter the apartment to clean. told me it appeared to her that the apartment had not been lived in and she prepared it for rent once again. The person/persons renting the apartment had left the keys and remotes on the counter in the never accepted any rent or contract termination kitchen. also said, "They didn't pay their gas or lights" information. because she received the unpaid utility bills. said since she didn't have any forwarding information and didn't even know where the renters came from before they moved-in; she returned the bills to the utility company unpaid. She assumed the utility companies "must have a way to forward their bills."

told me no one has lived in the apartment since the apartment was supposedly vacated by Mr. Sidhu. Invited me into the apartment to take pictures. added the only thing she did to clean after the previous renter, purported to be Mr. Sidhu left, was clean the toilets.

I inquired into the video surveillance system surrounding the exterior of the complex. Advised me the cameras are all functional but her computer crashed approximately a year ago, therefore the camera's video has not been recorded onto the computer. In essence, she can only watch live-time surveillance but has no archives of video recordings from the cameras. informed me that Mr. Tilak Chopra has been out of the country in India. She said he left rather abruptly for an unknown reason about three weeks ago and was told he would be gone five weeks. She doesn't believe he will return until early April.

I further inquired as to whether or not Sue Malick, the other co-owner of the property would have any information and responded, "No Honey, I'm sorry. I know she doesn't have any more information than I do. She just doesn't say anything to Mr. Chopra".

End of interview.

Follow-up with

During my interview with on-site Property Manager **Warner**, she told me she believed she recognized Harry Sidhu as an Anaheim City Councilman. On March 12, 2010 at about 3:27 PM she called me & again on Saturday March 13, 2010 at about 10:00 AM, to tell me she watched an Anaheim City Council meeting "on Channel 3". **Warner** told me she confirmed that the man in the photographs I showed to her is in fact Anaheim City Councilman Harry Sidhu. **Was not** the same man who identified himself to her as Harry Sidhu, took possession of the apartment keys and moved the refrigerator in and out of apartment 106.

Submitted by: Investigator Stacey Mitchell

Attachments:

Attachment A – Photographs of subject Harry Sidhu

Attachment B – Exterior photos of 2230 W. Lincoln Ave., Apartment 106, Anaheim, CA 92801

Attachment C – Interior photos of 2230 W. Lincoln Ave., Apartment 106, Anaheim, CA 92801

Attachment A









Attachment B Sidhu Residency Verification



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Attachment C Sidhu Residency Verification



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