

# EXHIBIT A

**Draft Transcript of Mark S. Scott's Post-Arrest Interrogation**

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The interview commenced at 7:24:45 a.m. All times indicated are a.m.

<b>Time</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Statement</b>
7:24:47	Agent Fata	I'm Kristine Fata, Special Agent with IRS Criminal Investigation.
7:24:52	Scott	Mm-hmm, sure.
7:24:54	Agent Eckel	And I'm Special Agent Eckel with the FBI.
7:25:02		So, I'm going to give you a copy and let you see a copy of the arrest warrant so you know what's going on here. So you can see the charges?
7:25:33		Okay? Pretty clear?
7:25:33	Scott	Mm-hmm, sure.
7:25:36	Agent Eckel	So, before we do anything I want to read your advice of rights. Umm, so, before we ask you any questions, I want you to understand your rights.  You have the right to remain silent. You have the right – Or anything you say can be used against you in court. You have the right to talk to a lawyer for advice before we ask you any questions. You have the right to have a lawyer with you during questioning. If you can't afford a lawyer, one will be appointed to you before any questionings if you wish. If you decide to answer any questions now without a lawyer present, you have the right to stop answering at any time. Do you understand these rights as I have just read them?
7:26:14	Scott	I do.
7:26:17	Agent Eckel	Ok. Umm. Are you willing to talk to us?

7:26:18	Scott	I'd be willing to say a few things now I mean I do want a lawyer involved.
7:26:23	Agent Eckel	Okay.
7:26:23	Scott	I wanna say, off the top, that I'm like absolutely surprised at what's going on.
7:26:27	Agent Eckel	Okay.
7:26:29	Scott	Because, uh, you know, typically the way I understand money laundering, is people, you know, do secret, you know, transactions, take money from who they don't know for example or that they haven't done any KYC on. That's not what we did. And, umm, so I am just absolutely, you know, shocked that I'm here. And I even disclosed all my money flows on my tax returns. And on my FBARs and everything. So, I'm just not kind of clear on like, umm... well, it's clear that my intent would never be to launder any money because I'm showing it. I'm showing what I'm doing.
7:27:06	Agent Eckel	Well, I just want to stop you real quick before you say anything else. I just want you to...
7:27:10		If you're willing to speak to us for, you know, a little bit right now, I just want you to sign this and you can read it over real quick, sign it, and like we said, at any point you want to stop answering questions, you know, you just let us know and tell us that you want your lawyer, and we'll be willing to stop and continue at a later date with your lawyer present. So if you want to quick read this real quick, you know. Umm, it's exactly how I read it.
7:27:31	Agent Fata	Take your time, reading it. Be sure it's clear and then sign it if you agree to speak with us.
7:27:39	Scott	Right. Well you know I'd love to be transparent, but I also recognize the fact that I should have an attorney present when I go through this. And I really don't, like I said, I really don't understand quite yet what this is about.
7:27:47	Agent Eckel	Okay.

7:27:49	Scott	So I really would like to have somebody that knows better than I do give me advice on how to answer things, and...
7:27:58	Agent Eckel	Okay, so are, uh, I mean, originally you said you were willing to speak to us a little bit.
7:28:00	Scott	I can speak to you a little bit, I mean, yeah sure, that's okay. I'll say stop, and we stop.
7:28:05	Agent Eckel	And that's fine, that's fine.
7:28:07	Agent Fata	At any point you want to stop.
<i>Mr. Scott signs.</i>		
7:28:20	Agent Eckel	And we're just going to sign it now.
7:28:20	Scott	Okay.
7:28:24	Agent Fata	[inaudible]
7:28:27	Agent Eckel	Should we start reading, uh, at the bottom.
7:28:32	Agent Fata	7:25
7:28:35	Agent Eckel	Let's start at 7:20.
7:28:36	Agent Fata	And, uh, nine, five.
<i>The agents sign the form.</i>		
7:29:00	Agent Eckel	Okay. Umm, so a couple of things I want to ask you before we get started with, you know, any questionings. Did they ask you about your passports or anything yet?
7:29:08	Scott	[Inaudible.]
7:29:09	Agent Eckel	Do you have a U.S. passport?
7:29:10	Scott	Sure.

7:29:11	Agent Eckel	Where would that be? Is it in your house here?
7:29:13	Scott	It should be probably Miami.
7:29:16	Agent Eckel	In Miami? Ok, umm, is it in a safe or...
7:29:20	Scott	It's probably somewhere in the drawer in the bedroom.
7:29:22	Agent Eckel	Ok. Umm, and you were born in Germany, correct?
7:29:27	Scott	That's right, in Germany.
7:29:29	Agent Eckel	Ok. Do you have a German passport?
7:29:29	Scott	I do
7:29:30	Agent Eckel	Ok, and is that at the same location? Ok
7:29:35	Agent Fata	Do you have dual citizenship?
7:29:37	Scott	Yes
7:29:41	Agent Eckel	And you said it should just be in a drawer
7:29:42	Scott	Yeah [inaudible]
7:29:45	Agent Eckel	Do you have any safes at your house?
7:29:46	Scott	I do
7:29:46	Agent Eckel	Ok. Umm, now we do have search warrants, for both your locations, both your residences. Umm, and they're going to want to look into those safes. Umm, to make things a little bit easier for you and us, if you would be willing to provide us combinations for the safe, otherwise...
7:30:06	Scott	[inaudible] has a key [inaudible] there's no combination [inaudible]...
7:30:07	Agent Eckel	Ok

7:30:07	Scott	...and the key is actually in a bag here in Barnstable.
7:30:11	Agent Eckel	Ok, so the key for the safes for Florida...
7:30:14	Scott	Is here
7:30:14	Agent Eckel	Is here. And do you have safes here?
7:30:16	Scott	No
7:30:16	Agent Eckel	No? Ok.
7:30:21	Agent Fata	And where are they? In a bag you said?
7:30:24	Scott	Yeah, I have a courier bag. Umm, it's upstairs right by the entrance, and there's a there's a zipper pocket that has a lot of like keys on it, like lockboxes and safes.
7:30:36	Agent Fata	Ok.
7:30:39	Agent Eckel	And you have any other weapons in the house?
7:30:43	Scott	In Miami? No.
7:30:45	Agent Eckel	Not here?
7:30:46	Scott	I probably have two more. I'll tell you more right now.
7:30:48	Agent Eckel	Ok, so you said you're... you already told...
7:30:50	Scott	Yeah, yeah.
7:30:50	Agent Eckel	Ok, we don't need to talk about that. That's fine. Umm, it's all like just for basic information. Umm, as far as your phone, umm, would you be able to give us the password to your phone?
7:31:05	Scott	Sure.
7:31:05	Agent Eckel	What's the uh, what's the [inaudible]?

7:31:07	Scott	It's um, 3693.
7:31:12	Agent Eckel	3693. And do you have any other phones in the house?
7:31:21	Scott	I have old phones. I just changed mine to a new model. It's the same but older than this one.
7:31:26	Agent Eckel	Ok. So, it's the same phone, just not active anymore? Uhh, did it have passwords as well? Are they at the house here or in Florida?
7:31:33	Scott	Same thing.
7:31:34	Agent Eckel	Same thing? Same password? Ok. So that's the basic stuff. So let's talk a little bit more about what's going on here. You wanna start?
7:31:55	Agent Fata	A few questions. I will start. Who are the investors in Fenero?
7:32:04	Scott	Well there are a bunch of uhh companies
7:32:05	Agent Fata	I'm sorry?
7:32:05	Scott	It's a number of companies, three or four, I think. That invested with us where we knew a couple of principals that had[inaudible] invested with us so...I don't know what more to say, it was a couple years ago, so. I don't know the names anymore.
7:32:24	Agent Fata	Ok [inaudible].
7:32:31	Agent Eckel	I'm just taking notes of whatever you're saying
7:32:33	Scott	Sure, sure
7:32:45	Agent Eckel	So we do have a binder here with some information.
7:32:48	Scott	Mhmm
7:32:55	Agent Eckel	[inaudible]
7:33:19	Agent Fata	Alright, so those initial investors, had they been represented by you?

7:33:25	Scott	I had two of them that were former clients of my law firm
7:33:34	Agent Eckel	Two of the investors were clients at your law firm?
7:33:36	Scott	Mhm
7:33:43	Agent Fata	They were represented by you for how many years?
7:33:45	Scott	Not just by me, actually by other partners at the firm. So, one of them, one of them for, out of Fort Lauderdale, Gilbert Armenta, for about eight years I would think, and the other client came as different entities – it was not just one person – but I guess a couple of the same owners, was actually represented from our London office for real estate transactions
7:33:14	Agent Eckel	And that was a group of people you said, or...?
7:33:15	Scott	I don't know. It was a group of companies.
7:33:17	Agent Eckel	Ok.
7:34:28	Agent Fata	So we have here in this tab, the Fenero equity investment mission statement.
7:34:33	Scott	Mhmm
7:34:34	Agent Fata	And so, in here, I believe, if you could see that statement [inaudible]
7:35:00	Scott	That's what I'm talking about
7:35:01	Agent Fata	Ok.
7:35:01	Scott	So he has also different companies, and different transactions like all over the world.
7:35:06	Agent Fata	Ok.
7:35:06	Agent Eckel	And you say...you say he?

7:35:09	Scott	Well actually, it's a, it's a, it's a, uhh, individual out of Fort Lauderdale, Gilbert Armenta
7:35:14	Agent Eckel	Ok.
7:35:14	Scott	Who I did umm local transactions with, with the telecom transactions in Brazil. I did a whole slew of work with him in different law firms.
7:35:25	Agent Fata	Close to excess of 2.1 billion in transactions?
7:35:29	Scott	Probably.
7:35:31	Agent Fata	So tell us about those transactions.
7:35:34	Scott	Well, we did umm, the biggest that I can remember are, or the biggest I remember was a telecom deal with Telefonica in Brazil. There was a purchase of telephone towers from Telefonica, and the transaction was done together with a group out of Providence North, they're called, I'd say Providence Capital something. They still own the towers, as far as I know, through subsidiaries, so that was a billion dollar deal by itself. And we did others. We tried deals in other countries, so when I say we did that size. We didn't close them all, you know, but umm we did some in Colombia and tried in Panama. Umm, and other countries, yeah so... including Germany, Ireland.
7:36:27	Agent Eckel	So you said, uhh, you did uh, these are all telecom deals?
7:36:29	Scott	All telecom deals, yes
7:36:30	Agent Eckel	And you said it was uhh, Panama?
7:36:33	Scott	Yeah, we looked at Panama, we looked at Columbia, Ecuador. I know we we were very close with Ireland, so we went to Ireland to buy all the towers of O2.
7:36:45	Agent Eckel	And did any of these deals close, or—

7:36:48	Scott	Not, not with my clients. I I heard after a couple of them did close, but not with us involved.
7:36:56	Agent Eckel	Ok
7:36:56	Scott	We kinda teed them up. He was very good at finding these transactions. From Telefonica we [inaudible] a good relationship in Spain.
7:37:05	Agent Eckel	You have a good relationship with Spain?
7:37:06	Scott	No, he did my client did yes.
7:37:15	Agent Fata	So how much was received into the Fenero funds?
7:37:21	Scott	Umm, I would say right about the top of it without returns, about 290 million.
7:37:31	Agent Eckel	290 million received into the...
7:37:33	Scott	Yes. Yeah, without returns and things of that sort, yeah
7:37:48	Agent Eckel	And where did 290 come from? Who, who—
7:37:51	Scott	From investors. We had, like I said, we had different groups of investors that came in through, umm, first we had accounts at Deutsche Bank umm with an administrator. Umm, and then we have an account at DMS [inaudible] Cayman.
7:38:08	Agent Eckel	TMS?
7:38:08	Scott	DMS.
7:38:09	Agent Eckel	DMS?
7:38:09	Scott	DMS Bank and Trust. And that's where everything was pooled.
7:38:17	Agent Fata	What about BNN consult?
7:38:20	Scott	BNN consult is one of the investors.

7:38:23	Agent Fata	And who is that?
7:38:26	Scott	Umm, from what I, what I, what I...I was dealing with the attorney for BNN, which was also, she was the sole member as per our paperwork.
7:38:35	Agent Fata	Who is that?
7:38:36	Scott	Umm, Irena.
7:38:37	Agent Fata	Irena?
7:38:38	Scott	Irena.
7:38:39	Agent Fata	What's uhh, the last name?
7:38:41	Scott	I can't remember right now. I don't, I mean, I'm sure she's a, she's a, from Bulgaria, but I can't tell you the last name off the top of my head. Dil, dil, dil...something ka. Ahh, I just don't know how to spell it right now.
7:38:56	Agent Eckel	Yeah. Tell us a little bit more about Irena.
7:39:08	Scott	Umm, she was introduced to me by umm, by umm another person that that Gilbert brought to me, which is, umm, she is very famous because she does all this crypto stuff now. Umm, uhh, Ruja, and...she
7:39:32	Agent Eckel	That's her first name?
7:39:33	Scott	Ruja is her first name. And, umm, she was involved in, in, in some cryptocurrency. She had one of those Bitcoin, or has one of those Bitcoin type of deals. And we, even at the time, I had no interest in, in getting involved with something where, you know I never knew those different countries involved and all that. So, we obtained an opinion, um, that Bitcoin, or OneCoin in her case, was legal in the countries that we dealt with. And that came from Locke Lord. The law firm was Locke Lord that I used to be in. There's a cryptocurrency specialist, or used to be, I don't know if he's still there in the London office. So we requested that that run-down.

7:40:24	Agent Eckel	And who was the uh, the expert over there? Do you remember his name?
7:40:27	Scott	If I had my phone I could tell you. Um, um, I wanna say Robert... [inaudible]
7:40:32	Agent Eckel	We'll...we're gonna be able to give you your...let you look at your phone to get some information but we'll come back to that.
7:40:37	Scott	So yeah so we had that. We, we, we checked that first of all at the time there was no country that actually was [U/I] investigating it but there was nothing out there where it was like banned, or if there was any problems in the countries that we were involved in.
7:40:59	Agent Fata	So, who's the owner of BNN Consult?
7:41:02	Scott	Umm, Irena, as far as I know. We have a whole file, we did the KYC on every investor so the regular standard that you needed to do that we learned from administrators. That's what we got, and she's, per government documents, the owner, and per bank reference, her bank reference letter.
7:41:20	Agent Fata	And where are those documents?
7:41:23	Scott	Umm, you know I would have to, I'd probably have some printed out and in a file. Umm, I might have some in the computers and emails when they were transmitted and signed.
7:41:37	Agent Fata	Here, or in Miami? Where do you keep your files?
7:41:40	Scott	Well I have most of my stuff like downloaded onto my computer here, so umm. And I might have some files. They would be, like if you guys would go up to the house already, they would be somewhere in my office.
7:41:50	Agent Fata	Ok.
7:41:50	Agent Eckel	An office in your house here?
7:41:52	Scott	There. If it's filed, if it's paper, there...

7:41:54	Agent Eckel	It'd be in Florida?
7:41:55	Scott	Yeah.
7:41:55	Agent Eckel	Ok.
7:41:55	Scott	Yeah.
7:42:00	Agent Fata	So, uhh, where is Raja [Ruja]?
7:42:02	Scott	I have no idea.
7:42:05	Agent Fata	Well, how do you contact her?
7:42:06	Scott	I don't speak to her anymore. We, we, we've sent, we gave all the money back in the fund.
7:42:10	Agent Fata	So you don't have any money related...
7:42:12	Scott	No. No discussions, no nothing. We have release agreements. All the money that was not invested, umm, was at the direction of the investors, sent to, umm, another, umm, another financial advisor in Dubai. We have nothing to do anymore
7:42:29	Agent Fata	And who is that financial advisor?
7:42:31	Scott	They're called, we signed an agreement, the first agreement at the behest of the investors is called Phoenix something Investment Fund, I think just Phoenix. And then, umm, and I have the name of the guy that I dealt with, that I was directed to in my emails and what. I'm going to say, Amar [phonetic] something. You know...
7:42:54	Agent Eckel	So your, the, the Fenero funds were, were closed...
7:42:57	Scott	Yeah, we...
7:42:57	Agent Eckel	...and transferred to Phoenix Investment Fund?

7:43:00	Scott	Yeah, we ran into, umm, we had a certain game plan, umm in the UK, of how we wanted to invest the money. And then Brexit came along, so we sent the letter to all investors saying that we don't see any more of the certainty of the market, and that we wanted to, umm, have a standstill, and at first that was agreed to and we reduced our fees at the time. And then, umm, we had a few phone calls, umm umm, maybe a couple emails, I don't remember, where it says, look, we just want to like get out. We just want our money back, and, and we said we're not going to hold it, we have no right to hold it. And so we got a mechanism to get it out, umm Phoenix signed and we did the release of the documents, umm, as custodian, and [U/I] basically transferred to them, making them aware of what type of money it is, how we held it. And, that was basically it. We, we had the money held in an island already because we did a, they had a subsidiary there for tax reasons and doing transactions midland, and we're, we're in the midst of, of, of, of closing that up, we're actually right now doing the audited financials.
7:44:08	Agent Fata	So it's not closed yet?
7:44:10	Scott	Well, the bank accounts are closed, and what we had to do now is for this last year, you have to submit to the Irish government still the audited financials. So we're working on a firm in Ireland, working on RBK. And umm, they have a lot of this information. And we also had to, every year, we just did our last forms, we had to do our financial statements with the financial commission BVI, which we also did.
7:44:39	Agent Eckel	And the, the person over in, uhh, at Phoenix Investment Fund?
7:44:43	Scott	Yeah, I wanna say it's, it's, it's Amar [phonetic] something. I have it in my email. I can look him up.
7:44:48	Agent Eckel	On your phone?
7:44:49	Scott	My phone or my iPad. My phone might not go back that far.
7:44:51	Agent Eckel	Ok.
7:44:51	Scott	You know, it just saves like a certain amount of information.

7:44:56	Agent Fata	And how much was that?
7:44:59	Scott	We paid back about umm, to Phoenix was about 190 I would say. Somewhere around there.
7:45:11	Agent Eckel	And you said the 290 million went in. What happened to the other 100 million...
7:45:15	Scott	Well, some was invested, which was basically then, we transferred the ownership of those businesses to the investors as well. And some just went bad. I mean, we bought, tried to buy a trading platform, FX Trading [phonetic] in London. Money was wasted, it didn't work. We bought a credit card company, PCT, which was actually transferred to the owners. There was a, a deal that was out of the ordinary for us. Umm, but we got [inaudible] to save, where there was a, a desire to invest into a oil deal. Umm, and don't ask me where it was anymore, but the only thing I remember, what made me a little comfortable, there was this one of the Bush brothers, from the president's family, so I said, that can't be that bad.
7:46:01	Agent Eckel	Tell us a little bit more about the oil deal with uhh Bush. Which Bush brother?
7:45:23	Scott	I don't, I don't know much more. You know, we just got documents for it. So we've got the due diligence, we, we, we brought in the, the surveys to make sure there's actually an oil field. It was a strange country but I wanna say, I wanna say Madagascar or something. And, but we got the documents in, we got our approvals, and at that point, and really we didn't, we didn't care, because you know, we had like a, you know, a big gun on one side, and we had all the approvals on the other so.
7:46:11	Agent Fata	How was that contact made?
7:46:35	Scott	I don't know how they got into it
7:46:37	Agent Fata	Well, who brought you that information that they were interested?

7:46:40	Scott	Umm, I got that from Irena. Like most of it. She represented apparently a couple of the companies, or at least she got authority from them to represent them with us. So I communicated with her the most.
7:46:58	Agent Fata	And where is she now?
7:46:59	Scott	I have no idea.
7:47:02	Agent Fata	When was the last time you spoke with her?
7:47:04	Scott	Umm, I think she emailed me once briefly, umm, probably, two to three months ago, because we still hold a million-dollar legal retainer that we kept because we, we didn't know how contentious people might be, so we said we want to have that in case we get a lawsuit from an investor. So umm, she asked me about when that was payable, and then other than that, umm before that we didn't speak for probably 10 months or so when we wrapped everything else up.
7:47:35	Agent Fata	How about Raja [Ruja]? When was the last time you spoke with her?
7:47:39	Scott	Last spring. Not this year but the year before, maybe summer. Maybe summer.
7:47:44	Agent Eckel	Summer of seventeen?
7:46:45	Scott	Summer of last year, yes. Seventeen.
7:47:50	Agent Fata	How did you communicate with her?
7:47:52	Scott	Umm, I communicated with her usually umm usually umm it was umm on WhatsApp. Uhh which I use almost with everybody. Umm, and then the other two, three times actually I saw her in person.
7:48:11	Agent Fata	Where did you see her?
7:48:12	Scott	I saw her in Sofia before, and I saw her in London.
7:48:19	Agent Fata	And you were [inaudible]?

7:48:21	Agent Eckel	Yeah, how many times did you see her in person? Like, how many trips? Like—
7:48:34	Scott	No no, I'm thinking right now, because I also saw her once, I saw her once in Frankfurt so I was really thinking. I want to give you the right number. So I want to say maybe seven, seven, eight times maybe.
7:48:48	Agent Eckel	You said Frankfurt...
7:48:49	Scott	Yeah, I saw her in Sofia, like three times I think. Sofia...
7:48:52	Agent Eckel	Uhh, Bulgaria?
7:48:54	Scott	Yeah, yeah. And then I saw her in umm a place in London, and then I saw her once in Frankfurt, where I thought she actually originally lived. She's married to a lawyer in Frankfurt.
7:49:08	Agent Eckel	That's where you think she originally lived was in Frankfurt?
7:49:09	Scott	That's what I'm, that's how my introduction was. She speaks German, I speak German.
7:49:13	Agent Eckel	Ok.
7:49:13	Scott	And so she was recommended to me in in terms of, as a lawyer, because of the language. I at first had no idea that she was also elsewhere.
7:49:26	Agent Eckel	And how many, how regular was your communication on WhatsApp with her?
7:49:29	Scott	Very irregular.
7:49:30	Agent Eckel	Very regular?
7:49:30	Scott	It was very irregular. Just at times.
7:49:33	Agent Fata	Irregular?

7:49:33	Scott	Irregular, yeah.
7:49:34	Agent Eckel	Very irregular?
7:49:35	Scott	Yeah. Irregular.
7:49:37	Agent Eckel	So, you didn't have much communication with her at all.
7:49:39	Scott	No. No.
7:49:41	Agent Eckel	About how many times would you say in general, like a hundred, a thousand, fifty?
7:49:45	Scott	I would, I would, I would...umm no, it's not like we never had a, I don't want to make it sound like that. I mean, umm, she would follow up on certain things, or actually give you know like, make introductions to opportunities and things like that. She's very well connected. Umm, no I mean, definitely, I mean, if you look, check the messages, I mean there's probably a few hundred, right? Over, over a year and a half or so.
7:50:12	Agent Eckel	Ok.
7:50:17	Scott	But it's like obviously a whole different communication than email. Like, WhatsApp is a quick, you know...
7:50:24	Agent Eckel	Do you still have the messages on your, on your phone with her? All, all gone?
7:50:28	Scott	I'm not sure, I'm not sure.
7:50:31	Agent Fata	Why are they all gone?
7:50:33	Scott	I don't keep messages when I look at my phone. I keep, umm, the only messages I keep is where I want to answer. [inaudible]
7:50:43	Agent Fata	So you delete them?

7:50:44	Scott	Yeah, I delete them. You know, I'm yeah, absolutely. I don't, I don't delete emails, but I umm, I don't keep messages, text messages, or WhatsApp. No.
7:50:54	Agent Fata	Why do you delete them?
7:50:55	Scott	Excuse me?
7:50:55	Agent Fata	Why do you delete them?
7:50:57	Scott	I just, I just, I just, first of all, I save memory, and secondly, I don't go back to them. I'm not one of those, you know, you know. I've seen people before that can go back two years and show you like what you said one day. I mean, I don't do that. No reason for it.
7:51:10	Agent Fata	But these are important transactions and conversations aren't they?
7:51:14	Scott	Well, not, not I mean you know, everything that, that's important to my business I kinda confirm in an email. So, so I don't think information is lost, it's just, like I said, that form seems very informal, and and it would not be enough for me if somebody agreed to me on something on WhatsApp. I would still get something signed, or, or affirmed in an email from them, you know?
7:51:39	Agent Fata	So explain the investment in Crypto Real Investment Trust?
7:51:46	Scott	Crypto...?
7:51:48	Agent Eckel	Crypto Real
7:51:49	Agent Fata	Real. Crypto Real. Crypto Real Investment Trust [inaudible].
7:51:54	Scott	I've got to see the documents. It might be part of like what we're putting together, but I just don't...Crypto Real, I don't, I don't know...
7:52:02	Agent Eckel	Crypto Real
7:52:02	Scott	Real...

7:52:04	Agent Fata	Real. R-E-A-L
7:52:05	Scott	Yeah no, I understand that. Do you have a little more information on that?
7:52:11	Agent Fata	We'll talk about it. Who's the owner of Barta Holdings Limited?
7:52:15	Scott	What's this?
7:52:16	Agent Fata	Barta. B-A-R-T-A Holdings Limited.
7:52:20	Scott	I don't know.
7:52:26	Agent Eckel	You don't know who the owners of Barta is?
7:52:27	Scott	Top of- No, I mean that's somebody that dealt with us. We'll have a record, I'm sure, but I just, I'm, top of my head I don't, I didn't...right now recognize...
7:52:34	Agent Fata	Was that the deal with the Bush?
7:52:38	Scott	Oh maybe that's [inaudible] I don't know. Seems like... like I said. It's not when we found or we didn't.
7:53:08	Agent Eckel	Let's go back to umm, you said umm you were introduced to Ruja...
7:53:23	Scott	Mhmm
7:53:26	Agent Eckel	...by someone named Gilbert, I'm sorry I didn't get the last name.
7:53:28	Scott	Armenta
7:53:32	Agent Eckel	Tell us how you know, how do you know Gilbert Armenta?
7:53:35	Scott	Umm, well, umm I'm thinking about when she introduced me. He was referral to me as a lawyer. I can't think right now who that was, it's so long ago. He just came to me like [inaudible], you know, and he said oh it's just somebody probably, I have this and this deal I'm doing, [inaudible] he said, [inaudible] does those or something. But I just really recollect.

7:54:03	Agent Eckel	About how long ago were you introduced to Gilbert?
7:54:06	Scott	I mean, a long time ago
7:54:08	Agent Eckel	Ten years?
7:54:08	Scott	Ten, yeah, no like, I'm fifty now, so maybe twelve? Twelve, ten years.
7:54:15	Agent Eckel	It doesn't have to be like exact
7:54:17	Scott	Yeah, something like that. But a long time.
7:54:19	Agent Eckel	So about twelve years ago? Probably twelve years ago? Twelve-plus years ago?
7:54:20	Scott	Yes
7:54:23	Agent Eckel	Ok. Was Gilbert, umm, an investor in Fenero or in any of the other companies?
7:54:38	Scott	Yes
7:54:38	Agent Eckel	He was
7:54:39	Scott	Yes. But umm, I have to give a but, we actually returned all of his funds.
7:54:51	Agent Eckel	And why was that?
7:54:52	Scott	Umm, I think at the time, I don't know what came up, but we had, we had at the time some red flag, umm, where we just said you know that we wanted to make sure we're right on compliance. We were trying to go for 10 million dollars, or Euros, no it was dollars I think. And we returned it. We have a release document.
7:55:14	Agent Eckel	Did he go, live overseas or is he...?
7:55:16	Scott	I don't know where he is now. I mean, I know him from Fort Lauderdale.

7:55:19	Agent Eckel	Is that where he lives, in Fort Lauderdale, or...?
7:55:21	Scott	As long as I've known him, yeah. And I know he travels quite a bit, but I don't know if he has another, he used to not have another residence and that's [inaudible].
7:55:39	Agent Eckel	And you don't remember what the red flags were?
7:55:43	Scott	No, you know it was something that came from, umm we had an administrator. Umm, umm, umm, JP Administration Services or something in Cayman, that did the KYC for us. And something came from them where we just said, it's not worth, it's not worth the attention and difficulty, and we just sent the money back. And I think, oh you know what else, no I know what happened. I know what happened. It was that, but it was also in addition that was that he also failed to make umm a payment that was set for a certain date in the subscription agreement. So we didn't want to insert [inaudible], so we just said we don't want you as an investor.
7:56:27	Agent Eckel	He failed to make a...
7:56:27	Scott	To make a second payment on the subscription.
7:56:30	Agent Eckel	Ok. And you were still his lawyer at this time?
7:56:49	Scott	No.
7:56:49	Agent Eckel	You were not his lawyer at this time?
7:56:50	Scott	No.
7:56:54	Agent Eckel	When did you stop representing him?
7:56:59	Scott	I don't know, like three, three and a half years ago.
7:57:16	Agent Eckel	And you said you were representing Ruja as well?
7:57:18	Scott	No. My firm represented Ruja. I was an equity partner at Locke Lord and she was uh represented through the London office [inaudible] to buy one or two flats or something. That's how it

		started and uh she also came in the firm um, um, to some guy who's name is Peter Courtneidge the expert that was at Locke Lord.
7:57:47	Agent Eckel	Crypto? Peter?
7:57:48	Scott	Courtneidge, I think C-O-U-R-T-N-E-I-D-G-E or something like that. And I don't know if he's still there, but um, so she basically approached the firm because of that, and then it turned out that she also worked with another partner there that helped her with all the real estate needs that she had at the time, so, but Peter was like, he was one of the, at the time, one of the top two/three guys, you know understanding crypto and block chain and, and how to work worldwide. This guy actually you know like I said he, he analyzed the different countries where um, crypto was present so that's something that I relied on when I left the firm to see if there's anything we can do business with. [inaudible]
7:58:42	Agent Eckel	Real quick. If you have to use the restroom at any time just let us know.
7:58:44	Scott	Not right now.
7:58:07	Agent Fata	Do you want to step out for a minute?
7:58:09	Agent Eckel	Sure.
7:59:22	Scott	One question I have for you though. Uhh...[inaudible]...right now, but if I have to go to Boston and go in front of a judge, I'd like to make sure that I call a lawyer soon so I have somebody there.
7:59:34	Agent Eckel	Okay. Uhh, do you have a lawyer that you...
7:59:37	Scott	Well, I don't have a criminal lawyer because I never needed one. But I have a, I have a few law firms, I have one in particular I would call. The litigators at least, I'm sure they know somebody.
7:59:44	Agent Eckel	Okay.
7:59:45	Scott	So that I can tell them...

7:59:46	Agent Eckel	We can, we can let you make that call. Umm. But we would have to, you know, we would have to unlock your phone. We would have to go through your phone to do that.
7:59:54	Scott	No, we can look them up the number, and we can call him from another phone, I don't care.
7:59:56	Agent Eckel	That's fine. Yeah...
7:59:58	Scott	I just want to know, like, where I'm going, so I can tell them, and so they can prepare for me to be there.
8:00:02	Agent Eckel	And that's fine, yeah, we can definitely do that.
8:00:03	Scott	'Cause I have a...I have a...this is a...you're not the judge, but right [inaudible]...the hearing might also be about if I go home again or not, right?
8:00:10	Agent Fata	Mm-hmm.
8:00:10	Agent Eckel	Mm-hmm.
8:00:11	Scott	Right?
8:00:11	Agent Eckel	Yeah.
8:00:12	Scott	Okay.
8:00:11	Agent Eckel	Yeah. So, well, we'll definitely take care of that in a few minutes, so we're just going to step out. One second, just hold- hang tight.
8:00:21	Agent Fata	And again, it's being recorded.
<i>The agents step out of the room for approximately six-and-a-half minutes.</i>		
8:07:12	Agent Eckel	Okay, you said you had, you didn't have any other guns at the house here?
8:07:14	Scott	I had two.

8:07:14	Agent Eckel	You had two other guns? Ok. Umm, was it a revolver?
8:07:21	Scott	It's an [inaudible] actually it's a revolver, automatic .45, and a shotgun.
8:07:27	Agent Eckel	And a shotgun. Ok. No rifles or anything like that?
8:07:32	Scott	<i>(shakes head no)</i>
8:07:39	Agent Fata	Does your wife have any weapons?
8:07:43	Scott	She might have hers here, yeah.
8:07:45	Agent Fata	What does she have?
8:07:46	Scott	She has a 9 millimeter H and K.
8:07:49	Agent Fata	9 millimeter H and K?
8:07:50	Scott	Yeah, yeah.
8:07:51	Agent Fata	Where does she keep that?
8:07:53	Scott	In a box in the bedroom.
8:07:55	Agent Fata	Excuse me?
8:07:55	Scott	In a box in the bedroom. In the closet.
8:07:55	Agent Fata	Is it a lockbox?
8:07:58	Scott	Yeah, it's a gun box.
8:08:00	Agent Fata	Gun box.
8:08:01	Agent Eckel	Is there a key, fingerprint? Or how does it open up?
8:08:04	Scott	Oh, I don't know, I don't know if it's locked or not.
8:08:07	Agent Fata	[Inaudible]

8:08:09	Agent Eckel	Yeah, I'll, I'll stay here for one sec.
<i>Agent Fata leaves the room and then re-enters.</i>		
8:09:06	Agent Eckel	You okay? You need to use the bathroom or anything?
8:09:07	Scott	I'm good right now.
8:09:08	Agent Eckel	Okay.
8:09:12		Uhh, so let's go back to...back to Barta and, uhh...and Cryptoreal. Uhh, we have a document here for the uhh, share, the share sale and purchase agreement.
8:09:27	Scott	Mm-hmm.
8:09:29	Agent Eckel	Umm, do you recognize it? You can, you page through, there are a couple of pages in there.
8:09:53	Scott	I remember this deal happened, I just don't remember much about it. I didn't have much to do with it.
8:09:58	Agent Eckel	Ok, umm, do you recognize the signatures?
8:10:03	Agent Fata	Who signed these?
8:10:10	Scott	Umm, I don't know if this is her real signature. This looks like Ruja, I just, I don't know.
8:10:14	Agent Fata	That's Ruja's signature?
8:10:15	Scott	I don't know, but the name is her name, right? So...but this, I have no idea.
8:10:23	Agent Fata	Well, have you seen her signature before?
8:10:25	Scott	Umm, not really. Like I said, I, I have contracts with her except she might have signed you know for the law firm engagement letter, but I don't know.

8:10:53	Agent Fata	And who is this?
8:10:54	Scott	I have no idea.
8:10:56	Agent Eckel	So you don't know who signed the documents for a deal that you were putting together?
8:11:00	Scott	I didn't put this together.
8:11:01	Agent Eckel	You didn't put this together?
8:11:03	Scott	No, absolutely not.
8:11:03	Agent Eckel	And so who put this together?
8:11:05	Scott	I have no idea, but I didn't. This is, uhh...Those are...These are documents that we got as part of our... I recognize seeing something like this.
8:11:13	Agent Eckel	Okay.
8:11:14	Scott	And probably more than this. Umm. But this was like part of our just due diligence. I...We never were involved in the deal.
8:11:22	Agent Eckel	And you, did you transfer the funds?
8:11:24	Scott	I did one, I connected one tranche, yes.
8:11:27	Agent Eckel	What tranche?
8:11:28	Scott	At the request of the investors yeah I can't hold their money when they ask, but yeah...
8:11:32	Agent Eckel	And how much, how much was it for?
8:11:33	Scott	It was..uhh...I want to say 30 million.
8:11:50	Agent Eckel	Do you remember who you transferred it to? Or transferred...[inaudible]

8:11:53	Scott	I really don't remember. I couldn't tell you. I just know that when this deal came in, we looked at it, I know we asked for more documents, and we got like the, we wanted to know the ownership, and we figured out that, like I said, that a Bush family member was in the deal. So that's what gave us some comfort that this was a real thing.
8:12:13	Agent Fata	Where did the money come into?
8:12:17	Scott	Into where?
8:12:18	Agent Fata	Where was it? Where was it held?
8:12:22	Scott	I don't remember which account. [Inaudible] I can tell you, we had, like I said, we had three banks. And umm, we had they all are just accounting as a group, right, like a consolidated thing. So I don't know where it came out, I couldn't tell you.
8:12:35	Agent Fata	But you conducted that transaction?
8:12:38	Scott	I don't know if I did it or if somebody, somebody else in my firm did. I don't know. But I know we decided, we, like I said, I know we asked for a KYC and due diligence on this.
8:12:53	Agent Fata	And where did this money end up?
8:12:57	Scott	I don't, I don't remember this transaction that well. I would have to see more documents. If we get this detailed, then I really should should umm get a lawyer involved. Umm, because I just don't remember and I don't want to say anything wrong.
8:12:58– 8:14:06	<i>Special Agent Eckel continues taking notes in his interview notebook and reviews his notes</i>	
8:14:05	Agent Eckel	Tell me again who the investors were in, uhh, in Fenero? You said it was groups of companies, umm...
8:14:15	Scott	It was different, different groups of companies that went into different funds. We did not have just one fund.

*While Mr. Scott was speaking, there was a knock at the door.*

8:14:20	Agent Eckel	Come in.
8:14:23	Unidentified male	Hey, how are you doing? I have a quick question for you guys if you just want to step out. Just one of you is fine.
8:14:28	Agent Fata	Okay.
8:14:29	Unidentified male	It'll be one second.
<i>Agent Eckel leaves and then shortly thereafter re-enters the room.</i>		
8:14:53	Agent Eckel	So they, they have a couple of computers at your, a computer at your house, and I'm sure you have more computers in Florida. Umm, to streamline the process of being able to get your stuff back to you. What are the -- they're all password protected, I'm assuming, all your computers...
8:15:10	Scott)	I don't even know if they are. Yeah, maybe, yeah.
8:15:12	Agent Eckel	What would the passwords be?
8:15:13	Scott	Well they'd be like these light ones you type three times and put a new one in, you know? It's like nothing...
8:15:18	Agent Eckel	Right.
8:15:18	Scott	I mean um, they're different in every location, I think. The one here, the PC is I think H-e-r-d-i-n-a-1.
8:15:30	Agent Eckel	H-e-r
8:15:31	Scott	Yeah, d-i-n-a-1. Capital H. Umm...
8:15:37	Agent Eckel	And it's just capital H, all lowercase.
8:15:39	Scott	Yeah, the rest are lowercase. And then umm, I think the Miami is also Herdina3+

8:15:51	Agent Eckel	Same, same letters?
8:15:52	Scott	H-e-r yeah, yeah.
8:15:54	Agent Eckel	H-e-r-d-i-n-a 3+
8:15:56	Scott	Yeah. Mhmm. And the other one, the laptop, there's a there's a...I forget what you call those computers, Surface Pro or whatever
8:16:05	Agent Eckel	Mhmm
8:16:05	Scott	I don't know the password. I don't use it ever.
8:16:08	Agent Eckel	Ok. So the...it's a standalone PC in Florida, or is it a laptop?
8:16:14	Scott	It's a, it's a, no. It's a, it's a desktop.
8:16:17	Agent Eckel	Desktop?
8:16:17	Scott	Yeah, mhmm. So you're going finish this [inaudible]
<i>Agent Eckel briefly leaves the room and returns.</i>		
8:17:23	Agent Eckel	Thank you, I appreciate it. Ok. Alright, let's see. So you were talking about Ruja, a little bit. And you said she did her cryptocurrencies. What was the uhh, the cryptocurrency she was doing?
8:17:53	Scott	She does uhh, I know a lot more today, but she has OneCoin.
8:17:56	Agent Eckel	Ok. What do you know about OneCoin?
8:18:00	Scott	I know that OneCoin is in, you know basically it went global. And it has a lot of issues in a lot of countries now.
8:18:10	Agent Eckel	And you know this from?
8:18:11	Scott	I just hear it from the press and just reading about it.

8:18:14	Agent Eckel	Ok. So you never heard of OneCoin besides reading about it in the press?
8:18:21	Scott	No I heard about OneCoin. That's why, when I, at the beginning I like I said when I knew the relationship between her and OneCoin is when I basically asked for that opinion of which country or if at all any country OneCoin was illegal or, or, you know banned or whatever so then we wouldn't do business with them, you know there was rumors were going around, pyramid scheme and all that and we didn't want to be involved with that.
8:18:55	Agent Eckel	So, Fenero was not involved with, with OneCoin at all?
8:19:05	Scott	No
8:19:05	Agent Eckel	Not at all?
8:19:07	Scott	I mean, no contracts or anything as far as I know, no.
8:19:12	Agent Fata	Ok, funded by OneCoin?
8:19:15	Scott	Not that I know of. We have, we have umm, I have no documents that would say that. You know, I mean I don't know now like you know like word's spreading right like you know, things are, things are becoming more public, but when we did our KYC, by the way also third parties doing the KYC, we did not know that. We had a, we had one company that got close where we knew they had a, they had a relationship in terms of processing. They were doing accounting for, for OneCoin. And that's when it, that's when it first, like I said that's when we first you know became aware of it.
8:19:57	Agent Eckel	Tell us about that relationship.
8:19:59	Scott	It wasn't a, I mean basically as soon as we knew that one we didn't continue working with them either. I mean umm, like I said, we were very careful going, where we, where we did our business. So if there was a red flag to drop people, umm return funds, so there's not much to tell.

8:20:23	Agent Eckel	So you stopped doing business with them since you found out they were processing for OneCoin?
8:20:27	Scott	Yes.
8:20:30	Agent Eckel	What was that company named?
8:20:33	Scott	I forget the word in German. Something, something or other marketing.
8:20:42	Agent Eckel	They're located in Germany?
8:20:43	Scott	Yeah.
8:21:03	Agent Eckel	Uhh, we're going to be honest with you here. Umm, you have a very small window of opportunity to help yourself, ok? And we want to see that happen for you, ok? Umm, you're going to be going down and being processed through through the court system relatively soon. Umm, but once that happens, this opportunity can go away. Ok? Umm, we know that OneCoin was involved in Fenero, ok? We have that information. Umm, you're giving very contradictory information. And we can't help you if you're not going to be forthcoming with us. Do you understand?
8:22:01	Scott	Yeah
8:22:02	Agent Eckel	Is there anything else you want to tell us about any of this?
8:22:05	Scott	Well no. I'm, I'm, I'm really, I appreciate that and, and, and, but I'm telling you when we were started this business, the way it unfolded was that I would not view them as involved as you might think that right now, and that's what I'm trying to explain.
8:22:22	Agent Eckel	Well tell us your view.
8:22:24	Scott	No, my view, my view is is very clearly that, that umm we started this business, we did everything by the book, by you know having the right documents, giving them to my law firms, giving them to administrative companies, having a bank check [inaudible], I mean everything. So, and me making very sure that I wasn't dealing with

		anybody that did anything illegal. So if something turned out later, right like I'm saying now, what I read in German media because I read the Germany newspapers and internet, that they say oh OneCoin you know had investigations in Germany and Bulgaria, I see that now. But when I was you know, umm umm, you know remotely involved and I knew Ruja right for example, I mean I purposefully checked that there was nothing illegal going on. There was no investigation, there was nobody indicted or anything like that. So I really tried to, I really tried to be umm...
8:23:12	Agent Eckel	But we're not asking you about—
8:23:13	Scott	Right, I mean I'm trying to be as honest as I can be. So if something after the fact now came out telling me that, now it's like well people looking back and saying well, you should've known all that. That's a whole, to me that's a whole different scenario. But I can also show that I did what I needed to do. And I wanted to be careful on purpose. You know I have a reputation. I'm a lawyer. You know it's my, it's my, it's my livelihood. And, so I try to always make sure we have the right paperwork, we have the right assistance to get us through everything correctly. That's why we also separated the way we did. You know, we said hey we're done, we want to return the money. Umm, even, even when we had no reason to even know that yet. When our fund didn't work anymore because of political movement in the UK. So you know, from my standpoint I'm really not trying to, you know like you know, you know umm, you know disrespect you here or not appreciate what you would say to me. But we really tried to play this right and play this by the book.
8:24:10	Agent Eckel	Who were your admins?
8:24:12	Scott	We had, we had uhh, you have to look up the name again, we have one in London that we work with, and we, we have them on I think two of our funds. So we have separate ones. And we had JP, umm, Administrative Services in Cayman, and we had DMS, actually, on our last fund, them checking KYC for us. They did it through an [inaudible] in the compliance.
8:24:34	Agent Eckel	So early on, who was your uhh...

8:24:37	Scott	Yeah, I'd have to look them up, like I said the first one was that group out of London. That we, we got rid of at some point.
8:24:44	Agent Eckel	Why did you get rid of them?
8:24:44	Scott	Well, because we had entered into a transaction where there was a second payment necessary. And at first they, they, KYC, um um um, target, and so the target was clean, no problem we can wire. They wired for us, by the way.
8:24:59	Agent Eckel	Ok.
8:24:59	Scott	They did the wiring for us. So, and then the second tranche was due, I don't know how, three months later, six months later, and so they came up with a problem. Obviously me, being the investor, you know, I have a, I have a fear of breach of contract, things like that. So we're in a big back and forth, uhh me and uhh the chairman of the company, and we decided to part ways. And we hired another one right away, JP, um, Administrative Services.
8:25:26	Agent Eckel	So what, I'm sorry. What, what was the reason why they were—
8:25:29	Scott	I don't know what they, they flagged on the on the target. They basically were the same, the same transaction they first approved. A few months later they disapproved and did not want to make a second payment. And I was threatened basically with a breach of contract, right, not coming up with all the money that I promised. That's what, that's what made us have a conflict.
8:25:51	Agent Eckel	So they flagged the target?
8:25:52	Scott	Yeah, a payment. So yeah, like a target. Yep. Mhmm. I forgot what, what it exactly was. But yeah they came out and said well, we can't do this, and that's fine, we understood. But I said, you know, our, our fight was you can't like just say yes first and then, like you know, like no the second time. I mean, they should've done their homework then and we wouldn't have done it at all. That's, that's my point. That's why we didn't want that to happen again, and I didn't care about, I mean it's ok if they flag something that's fine, but I don't want that to happen going forward all the time, and I'm

		getting into a deal, that I don't have certainty of payment once it's approved.
8:26:42	Agent Eckel	And OneCoin and Ruja had nothing to do with Fenero or any other funds that you were involved in?
8:26:46	Scott	No. No. I mean, the, the, like I said, I mean I don't know now, like you know after the fact, did they have money in these funds, I have no idea. But when we dealt with them, there was no, the name wouldn't come up anywhere. KYC was separate. We would ask all the, even our documents, even our, even our subscription agreements which were drafted by two large law firms in the Cayman. We even had our administrators comment on the KYC sections to make sure that they, they [inaudible], so that they could work that in the system. So we did all that, that prep work, right, and we didn't check it ourselves. And the only thing that I know was this one deal that I got, that I got a little, you know, worried about, and I said to myself, well there's you know a Bush involved with this oil deal, you know. Umm, it came through, it was with Ruja there in some capacity as I'm seeing, some authorized representative of somebody. But, umm, we're dealing with a German firm and their German lawyer. We're dealing with a, with a, a I think we did it as a loan to another BVI company that the guy owned. He was involved. So, so we got all that, we tried to get that comfort, and that's, that's the only deal where I'd say, well you know, we had to chew on that a little longer, and that was you know kind of at the end of the day, you know, umm a decision we, we, we made also an administrator by the way. And umm, that was a hard one, but everything else was done by the book. We have all the subscription documents, we have the KYC documents, you know we have our fee agreements, umm like I said, I file like every, every bank account, every transaction with the IRS, and IRS [U/I]. So it's like, it's like nothing that I was trying to keep out of, you know, or not be transparent about. I mean, if I had a concern, I wouldn't do that
8:28:41	Agent Eckel	What were your fees?
8:28:43	Scott	Umm, we had a, we had evolving fees. We had some like in our subscription documents, which were like normal, you know, like...

8:28:51	Agent Eckel	You keep saying 'we'
8:28:52	Agent Fata	Who are 'we'?
8:28:52	Scott	[inaudible] the funds.
8:28:53	Agent Eckel	The funds?
8:28:53	Scott	Yeah, yeah.
8:28:54	Agent Eckel	'Cause you were the sole person...
8:28:55	Scott	Yeah, yeah [inaudible]
8:28:56	Agent Eckel	You're, you're the guy.
8:28:57	Scott	Absolutely. I'm the guy.
8:28:58	Agent Eckel	You're the guy. There's nobody else working with you.
8:28:59	Scott	No, I'm the guy. No, yep. So, so umm, so um we have you know management fee, and it varied, it would be like you know 2%, sometimes we'd bump it up to 4 or 5 depending on what the, what the umm underlying business was. We umm took fees at the time that were a little lower when we had that standstill. I informed the investors with a letter saying we had the Brexit issue. Umm, so we're going to reduce our fees for that time. Umm, we took a large fee because, at the end, I mean, umm, dramatic, because the investors decided to break this up. This was one thing we had in there, you had to be in there for the full term for us you know. Umm, so, so umm, I have to look it up and give you the exact numbers, cause I mean I, I filed my tax return last year, I filed it this year, it's [inaudible] worked on. And I guess it's being held back because of this you know. But I mean we have it all in. I mean, in, in, in, all the money streams, like I said, we also file and we have other documents that also show umm what we did. For example, we, we have to file with the BVI Financial Commission because it's a registered, registered fund manager. Or an approved fund manager as they call it. So we're, we're doing all this compliance work. I mean, it's, it's at a point where, where you know I complained about

		how much money I was paying to everybody to do this. And umm, so now in hindsight you know, that's a bad apple. I tried to avoid that by what I was doing, and so I'm sorry this sounds contradictory, but it's what I did.
8:30:39	Agent Eckel	I'm going to ask you one more time.
8:30:40	Scott	Mhmm.
8:30:42	Agent Eckel	OneCoin and Ruja were not investors in Fenero?
8:30:49	Agent Fata	Mark, you were being arrested for money laundering charges, so don't just go out and arrest. We have evidence that supports that.
8:30:56	Scott	Sure
8:30:57	Agent Fata	We go before a judge to swear out this warrant. So we have evidence. We know that OneCoin, that uhh, it was funded by OneCoin. We know you know that. This is your opportunity to tell us and to be honest. You said I'm trying to be as honest as I can. You're either honest or you're not. That's not trying.
8:31:14	Scott	No
8:31:14	Agent Fata	It's just, it is. Whatever the facts are is what the facts are. You're an attorney, you're fully aware of that.
8:31:20	Scott	Right
8:31:20	Agent Fata	So this is your one opportunity. You have a small child at home. You have your wife. I'm sure you have a life that you want to live. This is your one opportunity to help yourself. So just think about that for a moment before you answer.
8:31:34	Scott	No I understand. But is that something that I can discuss with an attorney and we can discuss together or what that means? Because I don't know what that means.
8:31:40	Agent Eckel	That's something that we can't advise you on. That's, that's your decision.

8:31:43	Scott	Yeah, because I just don't know when you say this is my one chance, I don't understand my chance right now. Like...
8:31:48	Agent Eckel	It's an opportunity. It's an opportunity to help yourself and your family.
8:31:53	Scott	Right, but I'm...like can you to elaborate a little bit more on that?
8:31:59	Agent Eckel	It's your opportunity to be honest, and, and, and tell us exactly what was going on, right?
8:32:07	Scott	Right
8:32:08	Agent Eckel	And the stuff that we know from our investigation...
8:32:10	Scott	Sure
8:32:11	Agent Eckel	...that we know you know, ok? It's your opportunity to be forthcoming. That's what the opportunity is. And the opportunity is your ability to work with us, ok, and provide us information, and to help yourself and your family, and to help yourself, umm, possibly receive a reduced sentence, possibly work for us, possibly—there's a lot of opportunity here, ok?
8:32:40	Scott	Mhmm
8:32:40	Agent Eckel	We can't promise you anything, we can't guarantee you anything, umm, but you know the first step is being honest and telling us what's going on.
8:32:49	Scott	Yeah, I would love to discuss this further. I really would. But I'd like to have a lawyer help me with that.
8:32:55	Agent Eckel	And that's, that's fine. You know, we can definitely set you up with that. Ok, we appreciate you talking to us up to this point.
8:33:02	Scott	Ok.
8:33:03	Agent Eckel	Ok? Umm, now you said that you had a lawyer's phone number in your phone?

8:33:11	Scott	Mhmm.
8:33:11	Agent Eckel	Ok. Umm, you don't know the name of the lawyer?
8:33:15	Scott	Yeah I do.
8:33:15	Agent Eckel	Ok, because we can look it up on your phone.
8:33:17	Scott	Sure.
8:33:18	Agent Eckel	And then, we'll uhh, we'll write the number down
8:33:19	Scott	Yep
8:33:19	Agent Eckel	And then you can make a call, go ahead and make the call [inaudible]. How do I uhh, swipe to unlock?
8:33:34	Scott	[inaudible] its 3693. Contact. This round button.
8:33:49	Agent Eckel	Round button
8:33:50	Scott	And there's contacts, some you swipe with pictures on. There's the guy.
8:33:55	Agent Eckel	Ok.
8:33:56	Scott	You can go backwards with the arrow, and then the search at the uhh it's Fitch. Jonathan Fitch.
8:34:08	Agent Eckel	Jonathan W. Fitch?
8:34:08	Scott	Yep.
8:34:09	Agent Eckel	Ok, I'll go write the number down here for you.
8:34:16	Scott	What does my wife know at this point, like where I am and what I'm doing?
8:34:19	Agent Eckel	I'm sure they informed her about what's going on. Obviously your, your house is being searched. Umm, they are most likely trying to

		make it as least inconvenient for her as possible. I know it's hard to believe, umm, and we will provide all the information to her.
8:34:47	Scott	Would you let me know where I'm going to be brought so I can tell my attorney that too?
8:34:52	Agent Eckel	What was the...I'm sorry, what was the password again? 9?
8:34:54	Scott	Uh, it's 3693.
8:34:55	Agent Eckel	3693?
8:34:57	Scott	Yes
8:35:01	Agent Eckel	Umm, so what was your last question?
8:35:09	Scott	I was saying if you could let me know where I'm being brought so I can tell my attorney.
8:35:17	Agent Eckel	Yeah, you're going to umm brought to the Boston Federal Court. Down in uhh downtown Boston. But I will definitely uhh the agents out here, so I'm from the New York office, so they'll have all the information of exactly where to go, where we're going to meet and everything. Ok, here's that.
8:35:45	Scott	And how does it work with all my stuff now afterwards? Like, phones and computers, and...?
8:35:49	Agent Fata	You will get an inventory of what was taken.
8:35:52	Scott	Right.
8:35:53	Agent Fata	Umm, I believe the computers we'll try to image, we'll make a copy of what's there, but if they can't they'll take it and get it back to you as soon as...
8:36:00	Scott	Ok. Obviously, the phone is very important. That's why I'm asking.
8:36:03	Agent Fata	Umm, I believe the same is with the phone. I think we should be able to image it, but I'm not sure exactly

8:36:11	Agent Eckel	So now that you gave us a password to your phone, it's going to streamline things so you get that stuff back sooner, ok? So we do appreciate you doing that. It makes our job easier, and it's going to get your things back to you sooner as well.
8:36:24	Scott	Ok.
8:36:24	Agent Eckel	But I can't give you an exact timeline of when you're going to get that back. Obviously, we'll try and get it back as quick as possible. And uhh, your lawyer will be able to talk to um the AUSAs involved, and they will, you know, kind of be able to coordinate getting certain things back. Ok?
8:36:44	Scott	Ok.
8:34:36	Agent Eckel	[inaudible] He asked for his lawyer. Ok. Alright, umm sit tight here real quick, and I'm going to get [inaudible] to make a call
8:37:07	Scott	Great, thank you
<i>Agents Fata and Eckel leave the leave for approximately 8.5 minutes.</i>		
8:45:46	Agent Eckel	Alright, so we are now going to move you to an office to make a call to your lawyer.
8:45:53	Scott	Ok.
8:45:53	Agent Eckel	Ok? And I'm going to stop...