

# **U.S. INDICTMENT ACCUSES 5 PEOPLE OF VIOLATING IMMIGRATION LAWS**

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Five people were indicted in federal court in Springfield for allegedly violating immigration laws.

The indictments were returned Wednesday and involve three unrelated cases, said Todd P. Graves, U.S. attorney for the Western District.

In the first case, Sebastian Beltran-Bueno, 34, of Mexico was indicted on a charge of being in the United States after deportation. Authorities said Beltran-Bueno was the co-driver of tractor-trailer at a Newton County weigh station on Oct. 9, despite have been deported in 1995 and 1998 after a federal conviction for drug trafficking.

If convicted, he faces a maximum of 20 years in prison and up to \$250,000 in fines.

In the second case, Victor Torres-Campos, 46, of Mexico was charged with possession with intent to transfer or use five or more identification documents, as well as false use of a Social Security number.

Authorities allege that he had 16 birth certificates and 14 Social Security cards issued in the names of other people when he was found Oct. 5 in McDonald County.

Torres-Campos faces up to eight years in prison and \$500,000 in fines if convicted as charged.

In the third case, Maurice Saustegui, 38, of Springfield, along with Marcelino Fernandez-Martinez, 40, and Luz Victoria Rosas, 36, both of Mexico, were charged with conspiracy to transfer false resident alien cards. They also were charged with two counts each of transferring false resident alien cards.

Authorities allege the three conspired to traffic fraudulent U.S. identification documents, including false and counterfeit resident alien cards, from July to last month in Greene County.

If convicted, they each face up to 45 years in prison and up to \$750,000 in fines.

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