

United States v. Deck Won Kang (D. N.J. 2020)

Nature of the Business.

Deck Won Kang is a United States citizen maintaining a primary residence in New Jersey and he controlled two New Jersey-based defense companies.

Influence to be Obtained.

According to the Information filed by the DOJ, between 2012 and 2013, Kang paid bribes to a foreign official in South Korea's Defense Acquisition Program Administration ("DAPA") responsible for DAPA's procurement decisions in order to obtain contracts with the government for the sale of defense supplies. Kang allegedly wired \$100,000 to the foreign official to obtain such contracts for his companies.

Enforcement.

On December 17, 2020, Kang pleaded guilty to one count of violating the anti-bribery provisions of the FCPA. He was ordered to forfeit \$1.5 million and sentenced on May 19, 2021 to three years of probation.

Key Facts

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Date Filed. December 17, 2020.

Country. South Korea.

Date of Conduct. 2012 – 2013.

Amount of the value. \$100,000.

Amount of business related to the payment. Not stated.

Intermediary. None.

Foreign official. Unnamed foreign official in South Korea's Defense Acquisition Program Administration.

FCPA Statutory Provision. Anti-Bribery.

Other Statutory Provision. None.

Disposition. Plea Agreement.

Defendant Jurisdictional Basis. Domestic Concern; Agent of Domestic Concern.

Defendant's Citizenship. United States.

Total Sanction. \$1.5 million in Forfeiture; 3 Years of Probation.

Related Enforcement Actions. None.