### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CASE NO.

V.

JUDGE: THOMAS M. ROSE

C. MICHAEL VENCILL

INDICTMENT

29 U.S.C. § 501(c)

29 U.S.C. § 439(b)

29 U.S.C. § 439(c)

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### THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

### **COUNTS 1-59**

## At all times relevant herein:

- 1. From late 1997 until June 2000, the defendant, C. MICHAEL VENCILL, was the secretary-treasurer of the American Federation of Musicians, Local 101-473, (hereinafter the "Union"), which was a labor organization engaged in an industry affecting commerce and located in the Southern District of Ohio.
- 2. The Union represented approximately 250 members in and around the greater Dayton, Ohio area. Local musicians were employed to perform at social and civic events within the Union's jurisdiction. The largest employer under contract with the Union was the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra.
- 3. During his tenure as secretary-treasurer for the Union, the defendant,

  C. MICHAEL VENCILL, devised and executed a scheme to unlawfully and willfully
  embezzle, steal, abstract and convert to his own use and the use of others moneys, funds, and
  other assets belonging to the Union.

- 4. The scheme consisted of the defendant, C. MICHAEL VENCILL, preparing and negotiating unauthorized checks from the Union's National City Bank account to himself, his family members, and various companies with which he had non-Union related accounts and dealings. The companies included First USA Bank, Ameritech, Dayton Power & Light, A.J. Painting, Dinn Brothers, Photo Sports Center, Pingles Trophies, and O.C.M.A..
- 5. As part of the scheme, the defendant, C. MICHAEL VENCILL, used a signature stamp bearing the Union president's signature in an unauthorized manner and without the president's knowledge or consent. The defendant, C. MICHAEL VENCILL, also wrote checks in amounts requiring Executive Board approval without obtaining that approval. The defendant, C. MICHAEL VENCILL, attempted to hide what he had done by falsely reporting Union meeting minutes and failing to provide the Union with financial records he was required to maintain.
- 6. As secretary-treasurer, the defendant, C. MICHAEL VENCILL, was responsible for running the Union's office, recording and maintaining general membership and executive board meeting minutes, writing and signing Union checks, paying the Union's bills, keeping and maintaining the Union's financial records, providing financial reports to the Union's executive board, and preparing, signing, and filing the Union's annual LM-3 financial reports with the United State's Department of Labor.
- 7. While the defendant, C. MICHAEL VENCILL, was the secretary-treasurer, the Union had one checking account and one savings account. Both accounts were held by National City Bank.

- 8. The sole method by which the Union disbursed money was by check from the Union's National City Bank account. Each check had to have two original signatures belonging to authorized officers of the Union. While the Union did have a signature stamp for its president, its use was not authorized on checks.
- 9. In addition to the dual signature requirement on the checks, Executive Board approval was required for all nonrecurring Union expenditures over \$100.00.
- 10. The defendant, C. MICHAEL VENCILL, helped write the Union by-laws which set forth the requirements for financial disbursements.
- 11. For the years 1998 and 1999, the defendant, C. MICHAEL VENCILL, underreported the allowances and disbursements he received on the annual financial reports he prepared, signed, and filed with the United States Department of Labor.
- 12. When he ceased to be the Union's secretary-treasurer, the defendant,

  C. MICHAEL VENCILL, failed to provide the Union with the financial records he was required to maintain, and he advised the Union officers that he had given them everything he possessed.
- VENCILL, executed his scheme to embezzle and convert to the use of himself and others a total of approximately \$13,034 in Union money, funds, and assets. This includes \$1,076 in excess salary and/or expense payments to himself, \$4,449 to family members, \$2,095 for his personal credit card bills, \$2,803 for his personal telephone and utility bills, and \$2,611 to various vendor companies for non-Union related expenditures.

- 14. On or about each of the specific dates below, each date representing a separate count and offense, in the Southern District of Ohio, the defendant, C. MICHAEL VENCILL while an officer and employee of a labor organization, to wit: the secretary-treasurer of the Union, did willfully and unlawfully embezzle, steal and convert to his own use and the use of others moneys, funds, and assets of the Union.
- 15. The foregoing enumerated paragraphs are incorporated by reference into each of the following counts:

Count	<u>Date</u>	Check No.	<u>Payee</u>	Amount
1	6/12/99	14333	Ameritech	\$156.81
2	7/13/99	14361	Ameritech	\$139.89
3	8/4/99	14378	Ameritech	\$ 87.84
4	9/22/99	14392	Ameritech	\$ 87.33
5	10/19/99	14401	Ameritech	\$130.90
6	11/16/99	14413	Ameritech	\$102.56
7	12/13/99	14429	Ameritech	\$ 99.66
8	1/12/00	14453	Ameritech	\$ 96.03
9	2/14/00	14479	Ameritech	\$110.49
10	3/14/00	14519	Ameritech	\$ 81.59
11	5/4/00	14563	Ameritech	\$226.00
12	6/1/00	14583	Ameritech	\$ 78.58

[Total to Ameritech in Counts 1-12: \$1,397.68.]

Count	<u>Date</u>	Check No.	<u>Payee</u>	Amount
13	11/16/99	14415	Dayton Power & Light	\$148.11
14	12/12/99	14427	Dayton Power & Light	\$183.81
15	1/12/00	14454	Dayton Power & Light	\$212.19
16	2/14/00	14478	Dayton Power & Light	\$296.56
17	3/14/00	14518	Dayton Power & Light	\$239.66
18	3/29/00	14527	Dayton Power & Light	\$193.29
19	6/1/00	14582	Dayton Power & Light	\$131.70
[Total to D	Payton, Power &	Light in Count	ts 13-19: \$1,405.32	]
20	7/7/99	14354	First USA Bank	\$240.33
21	10/15/99	14398	First USA Bank	\$200.00
22	11/16/99	14414	First USA Bank	\$204.75
23	12/13/99	14428	First USA Bank	\$150.00
24	1/12/00	14455	First USA Bank	\$100.00
25	2/14/00	14480	First USA Bank	\$200.00
26	3/14/00	14520	First USA Bank	\$100.00
27	4/25/00	14544	First USA Bank	\$300.00

Count	<u>Date</u>	Check No.	<u>Payee</u>	Amount
28	5/8/00	14565	First USA Bank	\$600.00
[Total First USA Bank, Counts 20-28: \$2,095.08]				
29	2/26/99	14234	A.J. Painting	\$230.00
30	3/29/99	14262	A.J. Painting	\$283.55
[Total to A.J.	Painting in Co	unts 29-30:	\$513.55]	
31	2/26/99	14235	Dinn Brothers	\$169.25
32	5/17/99	14308	Dinn Brothers	\$243.45
33	6/10/99	14330	Dinn Brothers	\$ 77.45
[Total to Dinn Brothers in Counts 31-33:			\$490.15]	
34	1/11/99	14184	C.B. Vencill	\$100.00
35	1/25/99	14206	C.B. Vencill	\$ 80.00
36	4/10/00	14535	C.B. Vencill	\$250.00
37	4/17/00	14540	C.B. Vencill	\$150.00
38	5/17/00	14572	C.B. Vencill	\$150.00
[Total to C.B. Vencill in Counts 34-38: \$730.00]				
39	4/19/99	14291	Rebecca Vencill	\$ 50.00
40	7/22/99	14367	Rebecca Vencill	\$ 96.00

Count	<u>Date</u>	Check No.	<u>Payee</u>	Amount
41	12/21/99	14438	Rebecca Vencill	\$100.00
42	1/5/00	14450	Rebecca Vencill	\$ 72.00
43	2/9/00	14477	Rebecca Vencill	\$ 85.00
44	2/16/00	14489	Rebecca Vencill	\$ 81.00
[Total to R	[Total to Rebecca Vencill in Counts 39-44: \$484.00]			
45	2/24/00	14499	Verla Vencill	\$ 80.00
46	3/2/00	14509	Verla Vencill	\$ 75.00
47	3/22/00	14522	Verla Vencill	\$100.00
48	4/6/00	14534	Verla Vencill	\$ 80.00
49	4/11/00	14536	Verla Vencill	\$ 85.00
50	4/18/00	14542	Verla Vencill	\$ 96.00
51	4/25/00	14543	Verla Vencill	\$ 85.00
52	4/26/00	14546	Verla Vencill	\$500.00
53	5/3/00	14561	Verla Vencill	\$ 85.00
54	5/10/00	14567	Verla Vencill	\$110.00
55	5/18/00	14575	Verla Vencill	\$110.00
56	5/19/00	14576	Verla Vencill	\$ 75.00
57	5/24/00	14579	Verla Vencill	\$ 80.00
58	6/2/00	14584	Verla Vencill	\$ 72.00

[Total to Verla Vencill in Counts 45-58: \$1,633.00]

Count	<u>Date</u>	Check No.	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
59	7/30/99	14374	Jason Vencill	\$350.00

all in violation of 29 U.S.C. § 501(c).

# COUNT 60 (Misdemeanor)

On or about March 9, 1999, in the Southern District of Ohio, the defendant,

C. MICHAEL VENCILL, did make a false statement and representation of a material fact,
knowing it to be false, and knowingly failed to disclose a material fact in a document, report, or
other information required under Title II of the Act of September 14, 1959, P.L. 86-257, 73 Stat.

524, generally known as 29 U.S.C. § § 431, et seq.; to wit: falsely reporting the allowances and
disbursements he had received during the period January 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998 in
Form LM-3, Labor Organization Annual Report.

In violation of 29 U.S.C. § 439(b).

# COUNT 61 (Misdemeanor)

On or about April 29, 2000, in the Southern District of Ohio, the defendant,

C. MICHAEL VENCILL, did make a false statement and representation of a material fact,
knowing it to be false, and knowingly failed to disclose a material fact in a document, report, or
other information required under Title II of the Act of September 14, 1959, P.L. 86-257, 73 Stat.

524, generally known as 29 U.S.C. § § 431, et seq.; to wit: falsely reporting the allowances and

disbursements he had received during the period January 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999 in Form LM-3, Labor Organization Annual Report.

In violation of 29 U.S.C. § 439(b).

**COUNT 62** 

(Misdemeanor)

On or between January 9, 1998 and June 10, 2000, in the Southern District of Ohio, the defendant, C. MICHAEL VENCILL, did willfully make a false entry in and did willfully conceal, withhold and destroy books, records, reports, and statements required to be kept by any provision of Title II of Act September 14, 1959, P.L. 86-257, 73 Stat. 524, generally known as 29 U.S.C. § § 431, et seq.; to wit: by falsely reporting minutes of Union Executive Board meetings and by concealing, withholding, and destroying Union records including minutes from general membership and Executive Board meetings, cancelled checks, check stubs, bank records, and supporting documentation for disbursements.

In violation of 29 U.S.C. § 439(c).

A TRUE BILL

FOREPERSON

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