BNT INVESTIGATION 63-0704-0003-I Monitored Telephone Call

SPEAKERS

V: VICKY TADE A: ALEX (BNT)

A: Hello.

V: Hey Mr. Alex. How are you?

A: Oh, pretty good, pretty good, now that I got.

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V: Hello, are you there? Hello, can you hear me?

A: I'm here, can you hear me?

V: I can hear you now. How about you?

A: Oh pretty good, I was, I hit the wrong button on the phone. I have a mute button. Sorry about that.

V: It's okay.

A: Yeah, I'm ah, I'm getting these ah, there. We're working on the claims now to get them back to you. Om, but ah, yeah I called you because ah, I don't know what to make heads or tails of this but I, I got, I called Sean to try to get hold of Steve to ask him about that bank ... thing.

V: Yup.

A: And, ah, he told me that Steve went to work. And I said, "What do you mean; he went to work?" And he's like, "Oh crap. He, I, I don't know where Steve's working at but, I said he, he's not here." Sean says to me, he says, "Oh, well I guess I wasn't supposed to tell you." And I said, "Well, where's he working at?" And he says, "Ah, guess from home." And then I started grilling him and I'm like, you know, what the hell, man, I, you know, I treat this kid like family, you know. What's he doing? So, I, I haven't gone over there yet but I'm about to go over there to find out if he's branching out on his own.

V: Okay. Yeah, I would do that.

A: So, I gotta go over and figure out what's going on there. I mean, if he calls you or talks to you, you know, you let me know, yeah?

V: Of course.

A: Okay.

V: Are you kidding me?

A: Okay. I just wanted to make sure because, you know, he's got access to the

V: Are you, oh, I see what you're saying. Oh, and he'd call me and say, "Hey, I'm gonna start on my own. Can you give me some work?" That kind of thing?

A: Yeah, that kind of stuff.

V: Yeah, I'll come there and frigging break his frigging neck to hell. We're trying to pull a company here together.

A: Yah.

V: Right?

A: Yah, we are. What's the, ah, you know, I'm really, you know, like I said, I really, we're really, really having a hard time now. You know, with the, the places that we're calling and stuff, you know. I don't know how fast we can pull back out of this or anything like that so (sigh).

V: Well, who's working on them? Are you and Nicky both working on them?

A: We all are, everyone.

V: Okay and, okay, I mean I think you got to take experience now, and you know what, its, sometimes the weeks are tough. I mean, I even myself, last week was a week from hell for me and now this week, it's kind of pulling it together. But you know what; I talked to Tony today in Florida.

A: Ahuh.

V: Any three days you can get down there.

A: Three days in Florida?

V: Like, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday; ah, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday; they've got the people to go. Ah, all you need to do. They'll put you with a couple...

A: So, you all say, how many people would you, am I training then, then?

V: Two, three. Toni and she's the owner of the company. You'll really like her. She's, she's the best. I mean she's like a sister to me.

A: Ahuh.

V: You know. Ohm, and then two people that she picks and then here.

A: Out of her ... that she has.

V: Yup.

A: Okay.

V: Okay. And then, you know what, just bring the phone numbers and stuff and then.

A: Does it have to be Florida? I mean, the reason why I'm saying does it have to be Florida; is there like, any other like because you have a lot of clients and a lot of other contacts and stuff, you know? Is there, is there anybody else here that we could pull together too maybe, so I don't have to go all the way to Florida? Not that I would care, I mean, if I had to, I had to.

V: Well see, they had all the phone lines set up. They have everything. And I mean with Toni with us, she.

A: Well, the thing is, is cause I mean I got phones, so I mean, if, if there is somebody, you know, that you might have other that that you might want to do, we could, I could always put the phones there cause there, you know, cause there ... you know, I can just plug them any Internet connection as long as its broadband and they're, they're ready to go.

V: Yeah, I just, you know, I tell you what, one other thing. They said that, you know, like look what Steve's doing now.

A: Yeah.

V: See Toni will never do this to us. She is like, she is like my family.

A: Yeah.

V: You know what I'm saying. She's cool.

A: So the other people you don't trust huh?

V: Yah. I mean, if we can get these people trained. Listen, it's gonna take a lot off you and Nicky. I'll tell you what, you and Nicky can pick the cake work that you want because, when, what's his name comes back, he's gonna have the financials for us. You guys can pick the cake work; give yourself a little bit of break because you gotta new crew. You know what Toni's people have been doing, doing pre-text like phone work for the last ten years. They're all seasoned people. I mean, she, Toni told me yesterday, I go. I said I was talking to Alex and she goes. Yah, I tried to call the IRS last week. She said, they didn't fall for my shtick and what I was saying and she said I would really be curious to hear what, you know, have him train us and go through this. I think it's a good thing for all of us.

A: Okay.

V: What do you think? I mean.

A: Ah, you know, I'll, I'll definitely, ah, ah, I'll, I'll take a whack at it. I mean, it can't help but make it better.

V: I know and I think you guys are getting a little burnt out with maybe the turnover, the training, the thing and, you know what, here we go. If you can keep the best of your group together, it's good.

A: Ahhumm.

V: And you know what, like I said, if, if, you can make a little money on each hit, they'll make a little money, I'll make a little money, we'll all make a little money. It's almost is like a pyramid thing. I think this may work for us. Because I'm sure it's a stressful headache to go through these people.

A: Ahumm.

V: I mean to train them and then have them, I mean if, I would be very disappointed in Steve and I hope Lydia's not with him and they haven't, the two of them, started up together.

A: Yeah, God only knows.

V: You know, but I don't want you to get down because we got a big hole to dig ourselves out of.

A: Ahumm.

V: You know?

A: Yup, I, yeah, I know and I'm trying to do it right now but, you know, I just wanted to call and let you know, give you a heads up that I just found that out so.

V: Okay. But let's talk about our future too. Okay, so you got everyone working on the claims, right?

A: Ah, yeah, the few people that can handle it.

V: Okay. How many do you have left?

A: Huh? How many do I have left? You mean, people?

B: Yup.

V: I'm down to three.

V: Okay, that's pretty bad.

A: Laugh.

V: Ohm, three and you and Nicky is five, right?

A: Yeah. Well, my idea, my, you know, going back to the, to the Florida thing. If they want me to teach them the IRS, there's no problem with that. I can do that. You know, as long as the deal is they do all the IRS stuff, the ICR stuff.

V: Yeah, but we're not even gonna do that. Here's, I've got so much stuff right now. Let's just concentrate on current employments. I have batches here sitting here. Okay.

A: Ahumm.

V: Current employments, employment histories, ohm, disability.

A: Ahumm, yeah, I know, I understand that, I mean but if, you told me I could pick the cake work, right? If that's the case, I'll pick currents. (Laugh)

V: Okay, you can take the currents. Okay?

A: They could go SSA and all the IRS, yeah, that'd be great. (Laugh)

V: Okay, well, good. I think that's dragging you down a little bit so how's this?

A: That sounds fine to me.

V: Is, is, is Nicky on the same program?

A: Yeah, yeah, she's, yeah, Nicky's definitely on the same program.

V: Okay, can I talk to her one of these days?

A: You sure can. Ohm, right now, she's out of the office. Ohm, she went to go get coffees for us but I could maybe have her call you when she gets back if she's got time.

V: Okay.

A: All right.

V: Okay, good. So how about next week? How can I, we set this up?

A: Next week?

V: Ahuh. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or we got, or we got.

A: Well, you're talking about, you're talking about, flying into Tampa, right? Is that where I gotta go to?

V: Yup. Yup.

A: Okay, well, if I gotta, you know, I got family down in, in, in Florida, so let me call and see what days would work with them to actually, you know, where I could stay with them and I can just rent a car.

V: Okay.

A: You know what I'm saying so I wouldn't have to get a hotel and then I can figure out what three days it is.

V: Okay, Okay, good. Would you let me know?

A: Sure. No problem.

V: Thank you. You're the best.

A: Ahuh, thanks.

- V: Keep your head up.
- A: I'll ...
- V: And you know what, tell me about Steve. I mean, call me and let me know.
- A: Oh yeah, sure, no problem.
- V: Okay.
- A: All right.
- V: All right, be professional now.
- A: Ah, I will.
- V: Okay. Goodbye.
- A: Bye.
- V: Goodbye.

END OF TELEPHONE CALL

Special Agent Michael Isenberg. It is 12:32 p.m. on the 9th of May, 2007. The call has ended. We monitored a telephone call directly from Vicky Tade to BNT Investigations.