



# REGULATORY CRIMES SERVICE

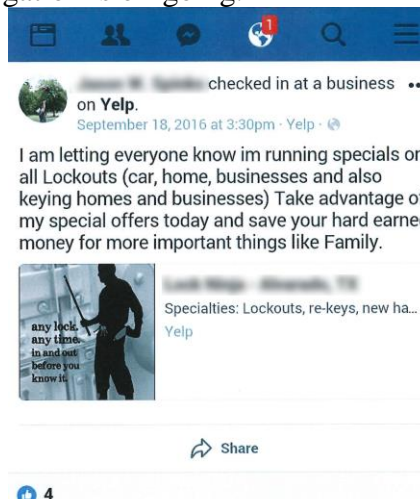
Private Security Activity Report 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter CY2017: October - December 2017

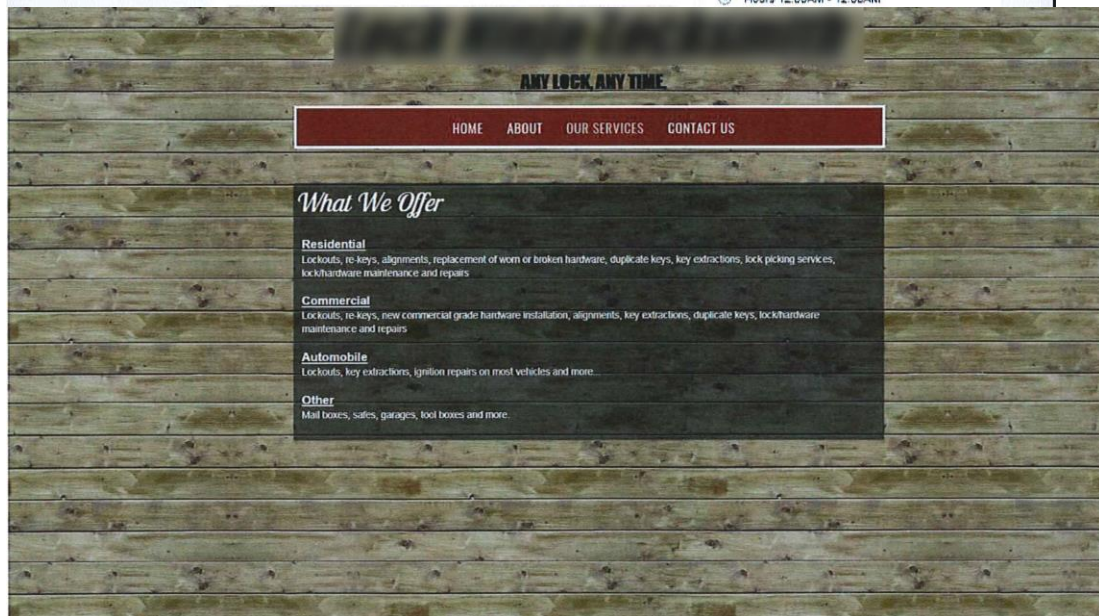
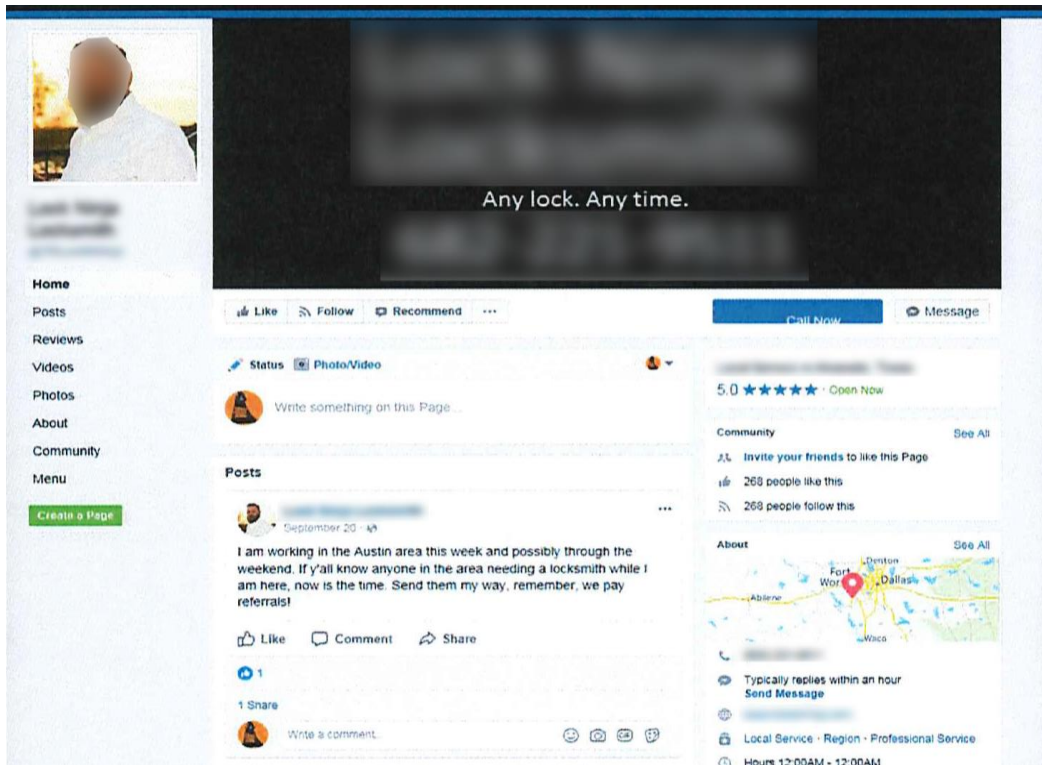
## Region 1

- On 10/16/17 RSD HQ initiated an investigation involving a private investigator in the Dallas area wearing a badge resembling that of a law enforcement officer. Case referred to Dallas Special Agents for further investigation.



- On 11/3/17 Dallas Special Agents conducted an undercover operation at nightclubs and gentlemen clubs in Dallas and Tarrant counties during which 49 commissioned and non-commissioned security guards were inspected. As a result of this operation, 18 violations were documented, including one (1) felony arrest for Unlawful Carrying of a Weapon. Administrative action was also taken against involved companies for employing non registered guards and operating without a qualified manager.
- On 11/15/17 Dallas Special Agents were referred a case by RSD HQ involving an unlicensed individual operating as a locksmith in the Region 1 area. Video located on Facebook shows the individual cutting keys as part of advertisement for an unlicensed locksmith company. Investigation is on-going.





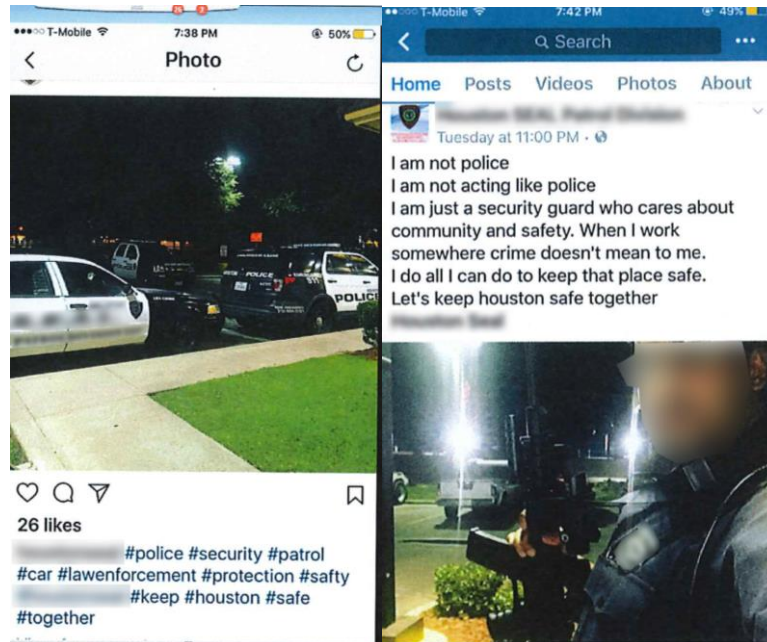
- On 12/7/17 Dallas Special Agents were referred a case by RSD HQ involving a company advertising commercial and residential installation of security cameras without a license in the Dallas area. Investigation is on-going.

## **Region 2**

- On 10/10/17 RSD Houston area investigators initiated an investigation into a security company that allegedly took payment from an employee, but did not provide the employee with their pocket card. Administrative action was taken on this violation.
- On 10/24/17 RSD HQ received notification from Houston Special Agents of an undercover operation conducted involving an unlicensed locksmith. Investigation confirmed the individual to be unlicensed, and as part of the operation the unlicensed

individual offered to rekey four (4) door locks for a total of \$300. Criminal charges of Operating Without a License were filed.

- On 10/10/17 RSD Houston area investigators finalized investigation involving a security company in Houston allegedly carrying unauthorized weapons, and wearing uniforms failing to display the word “security.” Administrative action was taken on these violations, as well as failure to report an arrest.



- On 12/7/17 Houston Special Agents were referred a case involving an unlicensed electronic access control company operating in Bryan. Investigation is on-going.
- On 12/7/17 Houston Special Agents were referred a case involving a locksmith company in Humble operating without a license. Investigation is on-going.

### **Region 3**

- On 11/27/17 RSD HQ received information regarding a commissioned security guard in Region 3 who had discharged his firearm while on duty; and that this information had not been properly reported to DPS. Initial investigation revealed the guard in question had not only discharged his weapon, but was also not registered. Other violations were also discovered, including failure to maintain employee records and failure to transfer registration within 14 days. Case has been referred to Corpus Christi Special Agents, investigation is on-going.

### **Region 4**

- On 11/7/17 RSD HQ received information involving a security company operating without a license at a job center in El Paso. Complaint alleged the majority of the employed guards did not have pocket cards. Investigation revealed the allegations to be unfounded, case closed with no action taken.
- On 12/7/17 RSD HQ received information involving a company operating without a qualified manager in the El Paso area. Investigation revealed that the company has been

operating without a qualified manager since February 2017. A \$1000 administrative fine was assessed for this violation.

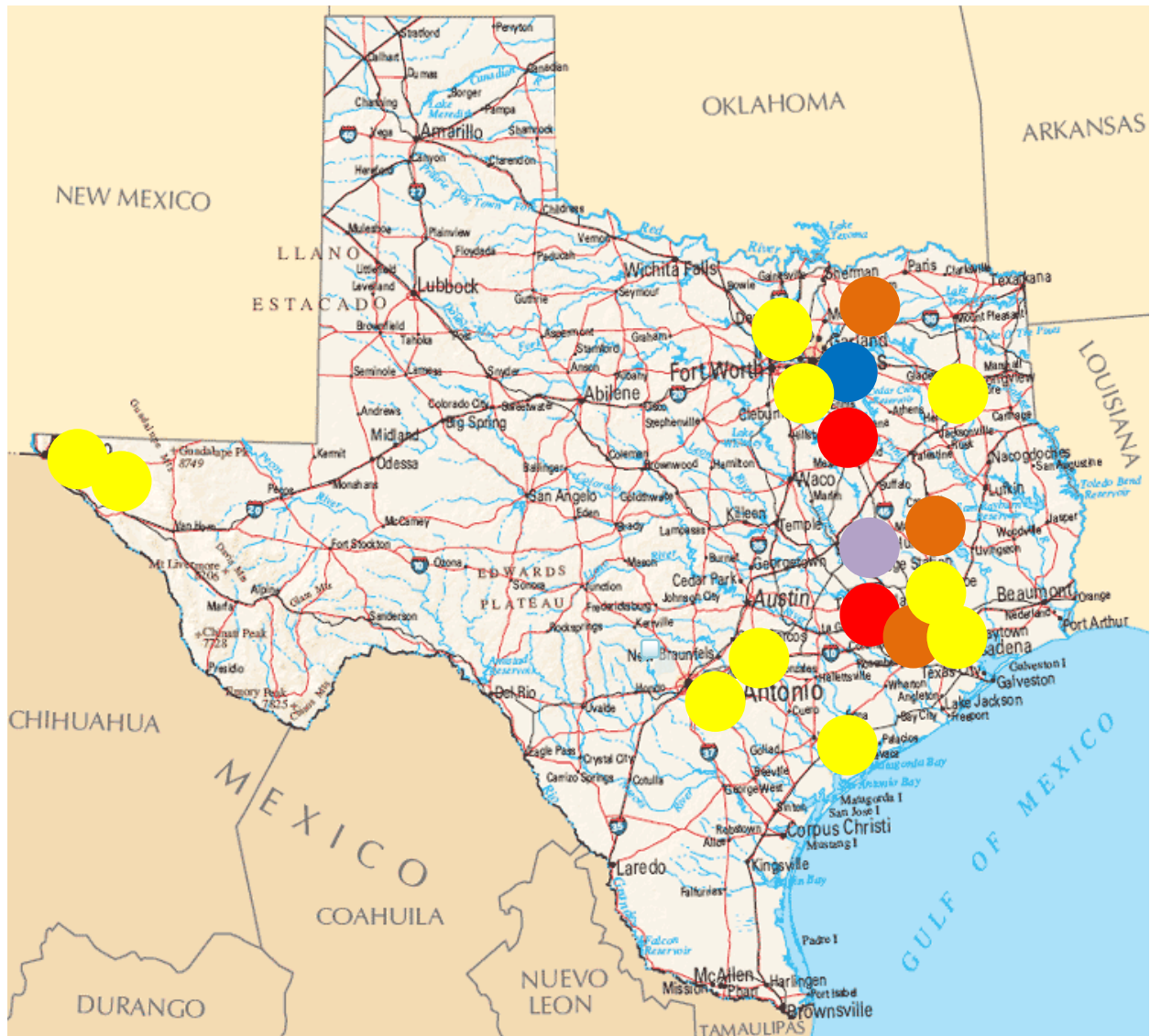
### **Region 6**

- On 11/17/17 San Antonio Special Agents were referred a case involving an unqualified security guard working without a license. The guard in question is ineligible for a license due to criminal convictions. Investigation is on-going.
- On 11/30/17 RSD HQ received a complaint regarding a company advertising online without displaying their company license number or address. An advisory notice was sent for advertising violations.

### **RSD HQ**

- On 12/18/17 RSD HQ received information concerning an alarm company operating without a license in the Katy area, installing surveillance cameras at an area pool. Investigation by RSD HQ staff revealed these allegations to be unfounded, case closed with no action.
- On 12/20/17 RSD HQ received two (2) separate complaints regarding unlicensed security guards working at large retail locations in the Tyler area. Investigation by RSD HQ staff revealed no violations had occurred, cases closed with no action.
- On 11/13/17 RSD HQ received information regarding an individual forging paperwork in order to issue level III licenses to former and present employees who had not taken the required classes. Investigation is on-going.

### CRIMINAL ACTIVITY BY SUB-PROGRAM\*



- GUARD COMPANY** - ●
- LOCKSMITH** - ●
- ALARM COMPANY** - ●
- SHOOTING INVESTIGATION** - ●
- PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR** - ●
- OTHER** - ●

\*Denotes locations around the state where investigations conducted and is not representative of the total number of investigations conducted.