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Eight Indicted in Home Burglary Ring

Eight defendants who allegedly operated a residential burglary ring that targeted Los Angeles Times subscribers named on stolen “vacation hold” lists pleaded not guilty today to more than three dozen charges contained in a Grand Jury indictment, the District Attorney’s Office announced.

Prosecutors said the eight stole an estimated \$1 million in dozens of residential burglaries in both Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties.

The 39-count indictment unsealed today by Judge Charlaine Olmedo names Randal Joseph Whitmore (dob 3-19-69), Duane Vantuinen (dob 10-26-61), Joshua Ray Box (dob 11-17-69), Lorraine Marlene Vasquez (dob 11-20-72), Cory Mulligan (dob 8-22-91), Brian Thomas Duran (dob 5-12-71), Margaret Mary Susan High (dob 3-7-84) and Edwin Lynn Valentine (dob 8-13-60).

The eight are charged with multiple counts each of first degree residential burglary, receiving stolen property and conspiracy.

Deputy District Attorney Mark Inaba with the Organized Crime Division said an extensive investigation led by the Los Angeles Sheriff’s Department included joint investigations by Glendora, Monrovia, Burbank and Arcadia police departments and the San Bernardino Sheriff’s Department.

The investigation was launched following a June 24, 2012, traffic stop involving Whitmore. Police allegedly discovered stolen property in the car along with an L.A. Times “vacation hold” lists that contained the names and addresses of subscribers and the dates that they were scheduled to be out of town.

All eight return to court on Dec. 10 in Los Angeles Superior Court, Pomona Branch, Department P for pretrial. All are being held on more than \$1.6 million bail each. If convicted as charged, each faces at least 20 years in state prison.

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