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# Press Release

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## Identity Thief Gets 18 Months In State Jail

On Thursday, May 19, 2014, Miguel Hall pled guilty to Fraudulent Use of Identifying Information and was sentenced to 18 months in a State Jail Facility. The defendant faced up to 24 months for this offense.

Hall used the victim's name, social security number, and address to open an account with a telephone company covering five different cell phones. The victim did not learn her information was being used until she attempted to open a legitimate account with the same company.

The defendant is currently serving a five year prison sentence for engaging in organized criminal activity in Harris County.

Assistant District Attorney Kevin Capps prosecuted the case. "Perpetrators of identity theft are no less insidious because they commit their crimes with a computer or piece of paper, and victims of these crimes are entitled to no less protection", Capps said. "These offenses create havoc in the lives of victims who have to deal with



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the aftermath of having their identity stolen. This sentence communicates that perpetrators of these crimes will be caught and punished in Brazos County."

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