UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

SUPERSEDING : <u>INDICTMENT</u>

-v-

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LARRY SEABROOK,

Defendant.

#### COUNT ONE

(Receiving Corrupt Payments)

The Grand Jury charges:

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### The Defendant

1. From in or about 2002 through and including in or about 2011, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, has served as a member of the New York City Council (the "Council") representing the 12th Council District, which includes various neighborhoods in the northeast section of the Bronx, New York. As a member of the Council, SEABROOK's official duties have included voting on legislation, representing and advocating for the interests of his constituents, and allocating New York City funds to non-profit organizations.

### The Yankee Stadium Boiler Subcontract

2. In or about the spring of 2006, the New York Yankees ("Yankees") were preparing to begin construction of a new stadium located in the Bronx, New York ("New Yankee Stadium"). At or around that time, the Council approved both the land-use plan and

- a financing package for the New Yankee Stadium. A particular developer ("Developer") served as the Yankees' representative in connection with this project, overseeing the development and construction of the infrastructure work. A particular contractor ("Contractor") was hired to serve as the general contractor for the New Yankee Stadium.
- 3. In connection with the construction of the New Yankee Stadium, in or about April 2006, the Yankees entered into a community benefits agreement, pursuant to which the Yankees agreed, among other things, to award at least 25 percent of the New Yankee Stadium's construction contracts to qualified Bronx-based businesses, at least half of which would also be qualified minority, women-owned, and local business enterprises.
- 4. In or about June 2006, the Contractor prepared to solicit bids for a subcontract to furnish two boilers for the New Yankee Stadium. On or about June 13, 2006, an employee of the Contractor ("Contractor's Employee") sent a letter to an employee of the developer ("Developer's Employee") suggesting that bids for the boiler work be solicited from a number of particular boiler manufacturers. As of June 16, 2006, the list identified four bidders for the boiler work at the New Yankee Stadium. The list of four bidders did not include a particular minority-owned boiler manufacturer located in the Bronx ("Bronx Boiler Manufacturer").

- Around this time, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, in his 5. capacity as a Council Member, began to lobby the Yankees to award the boiler contract to the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer. particular, SEABROOK contacted one of the principal consultants retained by the Yankees to serve as a liaison between the Yankees and elected officials, community leaders, and others (the "Yankees' Representative"). SEABROOK told the Yankees' Representative that the boiler contract should be awarded to the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer, and SEABROOK personally toured the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer's facilities with the Yankees' Representative and an executive of the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer ("Bronx Boiler Executive"). The Yankees' Representative thereafter brought the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer -- and SEABROOK's official support of the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer -to the attention of one or more individuals who were responsible for selecting: (a) the manufacturers who would be invited to bid on the boiler subcontract; and (b) the winning bidder (subject to approval by the Yankees).
- 6. Subsequently, on or about June 26, 2006, the Contractor's Employee sent a letter to the Developer's Employee regarding the boiler subcontract. The letter proposed that a bid be solicited from the four boiler manufacturers on the list as of June 16, 2006, as well as from a fifth boiler manufacturer, namely, the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer. On or about July 13,

2006, the Developer's Employee formally approved the list of five boiler manufacturers and thereby authorized the Contractor to initiate the bidding process for the boiler subcontract. At or around this time, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, informed the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer that he had contacted the Yankees and that the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer was on the list of companies from whom a bid would be solicited for the boiler subcontract.

- 7. Over the course of the summer of 2006, the Contractor solicited bids from the selected boiler manufacturers. The Brown Boiler Manufacturer submitted the second-lowest bid for the boiler subcontract. On or about September 18, 2006, the Developer's Employee sent an e-mail to an executive with the Yankees ("Yankees Executive") requesting authorization to award the boiler subcontract to the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer. In making this request, the Developer's Employee stated, in sum and substance, that a Bronx politician heavily supported the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer. That same day, the Yankees Executive authorized the award of the boiler subcontract to the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer.
- 8. Over the course of this contract, the Contractor paid the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer in excess of \$275,000 for work performed in connection with the boiler subcontract.

## Corrupt Payments to SEABROOK

Between in or about July 2006 and in or about April 9. 2009, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, solicited a series of payments from the Bronx Boiler Executive. All the payments were made by check, either from the personal account of the Bronx Boiler Executive ("Personal Account") or corporate accounts of the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer ("Corporate Account"). On all but two occasions (in which cases the checks were typed, rather than handwritten), SEABROOK personally filled out the payee and amount sections of the checks and the Bronx Boiler Executive signed them. The checks were primarily issued, at SEABROOK's direction, to the North East Bronx Community Democratic Club, a political club that SEABROOK operated and controlled ("Political Club"). On one occasion, however, SEABROOK directed payment to his personal checking account, and on another occasion SEABROOK directed payment to a certain non-profit organization with which he was closely associated, namely, the Bronx African-American Chamber of Commerce ("BAACC").

10. The corrupt payments included, among others, the following checks, which totaled \$50,000:

Nature of Writing on Check	Date	From	То	Amount
Typed	07/12/06	Corporate Account	Political Club	\$5,000
Handwritten (by SEABROOK)	11/16/06	Personal Account	Political Club	\$5,000
Handwritten (by SEABROOK)	07/10/07	Personal Account	Political Club	\$5,000
Handwritten (by SEABROOK)	12/05/07	Personal Account	LARRY SEABROOK	\$5,000
Handwritten (by SEABROOK)	12/19/07	Personal Account	Political Club	\$5,000
Handwritten (by SEABROOK)	03/21/08	Personal Account	Political Club	\$5,000
Handwritten (by SEABROOK)	07/02/08	Personal Account	Political Club	\$5,000
Handwritten (by SEABROOK)	09/04/08	Personal Account	Political Club	\$6,000
Typed	12/19/08	Corporate Account	Political Club	\$5,000
Handwritten (by SEABROOK)	04/21/09	Personal	Bronx African- American Chamber of Commerce	\$4,000

# The Laundering of Benefits through the Political Club

11. As set forth above, between July 2006 and December 2008, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, steered \$41,000 of corrupt payments to the Political Club's bank account.

- 12. After routing the corrupt payments to the Political Club, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, took the money for his own use. Specifically, SEABROOK submitted, to a signatory on the Political Club's checking account ("Seabrook Associate # 1"), receipts for purported expenditures he had made in connection with Political Club business and then directed Seabrook Associate # 1 to reimburse him for these purported expenditures either through checks to SEABROOK personally, or to a certain credit card company to pay for, among other things, personal expenses that SEABROOK incurred on his personal credit card bill.
- 13. In support of his claims for reimbursement for purported Political Club-related expenditures:
- a. LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, submitted at least one receipt that had been forged or doctored. Specifically, SEABROOK submitted a receipt for a bagel sandwich and beverage that he had purchased near City Hall. The original cost of this purchase was approximately \$7, but the receipt had been doctored so that the cost of the purchase appeared to be approximately \$177.
- b. SEABROOK submitted receipts for hundreds of dollars of expenses that he had not, himself, incurred. For example, SEABROOK submitted receipts for expenses apparently incurred by his family, and SEABROOK submitted receipts for expenses that he could not possibly have incurred himself. For

example, SEABROOK submitted four separate receipts for gas that had been purchased at the same pump at the same gas station on the same day all within the space of approximately 45 minutes.

- c. SEABROOK also sought reimbursement of expenditures that had, in fact, already been reimbursed -- either by the Council or, in some cases, by the Political Club itself.
- 14. LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, converted the funds of the Political Club to his own use through the following payments, among others, which totaled \$44,897.08:

Date	From	То	Amount
07/23/06	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$4,047.80
07/30/06	Political Club	Credit Card Co. (for Seabrook)	\$1,342.59
11/27/06	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$2,627.67
12/03/06	Political Club	Credit Card Co. (for Seabrook)	\$1,362.43
12/17/06	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$1,417.34
12/17/06	Political Club	Credit Card Co. (for Seabrook)	\$1,384.47
07/22/07	Political Club	Credit Card Co. (for Seabrook)	\$863.88
07/22/07	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$3,151.16
08/18/07	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$1,696.75
12/29/07	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$4,001.34
01/28/08	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$1,219.26
04/11/08	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$3,168.34
05/18/08	Political Club	Credit Card Co. (for Seabrook)	\$3,552.15
05/18/08	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$1,387.24

06/22/08	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$1,048.77
07/20/08	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$931.93
08/17/08	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$1,000.99
09/21/08	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$1,757.49
11/06/08	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$1,788.94
12/28/08	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$2,291.53
01/10/09	Political Club	Credit Card Co. (for Seabrook)	\$550.00
01/11/09	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$1,181.40
01/22/09	Political Club	Credit Card Co. (for Seabrook)	\$2,091.07
01/31/09	Political Club	Larry Seabrook	\$1,032.54

### Concealment of the Illegal Payments

15. LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, took steps to conceal the illegal payments he received from the Bronx Boiler Executive that included directing that the illegal payments be made, in the first instance, to a third party - either the Political Club or the BAACC. SEABROOK also filed financial disclosure statements with the New York City Conflicts of Interest Board that intentionally failed to disclose the illegal payments he received.

### Statutory Violation

16. From in or about the summer of 2006 through in or about the spring of 2009, in the Southern District of New York, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, during the time when he was an agent of a local government and an agency thereof, willfully, knowingly

and corruptly, solicited and demanded for the benefit of a person, and accepted and agreed to accept, something of value from a person, intending to be rewarded in connection with a business, transaction, and series of transactions of such government and agency, involving something of value of \$5,000 and more, said government and agency receiving, in a one-year period, benefits in excess of \$10,000 under a Federal program involving a grant, contract, subsidy, loan, guarantee, insurance and other form of Federal assistance, to wit, LARRY SEABROOK lobbied the New York Yankees, in his capacity as a Council Member for the 12th Council District of the New York City Council, to award a sub-contract to the Bronx Boiler Manufacturer at or around a time when the Yankees were relying on the support of the Council and/or New York City to construct the New Yankee Stadium, and SEABROOK subsequently solicited, agreed to accept, and accepted money and payments directly and indirectly from the Bronx Boiler Executive, intending to be rewarded for those efforts.

(Title 18, United States Code, Sections 666(a)(1)(B) and 2.)

#### COUNT TWO

(Use Of Interstate Facilities To Solicit And Receive Corrupt Payments)

The Grand Jury further charges:

17. The allegations contained in paragraphs one through
15 are repeated and realleged as though fully set forth herein.

From in or about the summer of 2006 through in or about 18. the spring of 2009, in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, willfully, and knowingly did travel in interstate commerce and use and cause to be used the mail and facilities in interstate commerce with the intent to promote, manage, establish, carry on and facilitate the promotion, management, establishment and carrying on of an unlawful activity, to wit, the solicitation and acceptance of corrupt payments in violation of New York Penal Law Section 200.35, and thereafter did perform and attempt to perform an act, and aid and abet the performance of said act to promote, manage, establish, carry on, and facilitate the promotion, management, establishment, and carrying on of said unlawful activity, to wit, SEABROOK directly and/or indirectly caused the use of telephones, emails, and United States mail in connection with the scheme to solicit and receive corrupt payments described in Count One. (Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1952(a)(1) and (3), and

#### COUNT THREE

(Money Laundering)

The Grand Jury further charges:

- The allegations contained in paragraphs one through 15 are repeated and realleged as though fully set forth herein.
- From in or about the summer of 2006 through in or about the spring of 2009, in the Southern District of New York and

elsewhere, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, knowing that the property involved in certain financial transactions represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, willfully, and knowingly did conduct and attempt to conduct such financial transactions which in fact involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, to wit, the solicitation and receipt of unlawful gratuities as charged in Counts One and Two, knowing that the transactions were designed in whole and in part to conceal and disquise the nature, the location, the source, the ownership, and the control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, to wit, SEABROOK caused to be deposited into the account of the Political Club the proceeds of unlawful gratuities he solicited and received from the Bronx Boiler Executive as a reward for SEABROOK's official actions in connection with a bid for a sub-contract with the New York Yankees and then caused the Political Club to issue checks to him personally and to pay his credit card bills, in order to conceal the nature and source of the unlawful gratuities he received from the Bronx Boiler Executive.

(Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956 (a)(1)(B)(i) and 2.)

### COUNT FOUR

(Conspiracy to Commit Fraud in Connection With New York City Council Discretionary Funding)

The Grand Jury further charges:

21. The allegations contained in paragraph one of this Indictment are repeated and realleged as though fully set forth herein.

# Council Discretionary Funding

22. Since at least in or about 2002 through in or about 2009, the Council has allocated millions of dollars annually to non-profit organizations. These funds, which are commonly known as "discretionary funds," are typically allocated by the Council, in connection with specific Council initiatives. Additionally, each Council Member is assigned a certain amount of discretionary funds, annually, to be distributed to communitybased non-profit organizations; the Council Member identifies non-profit organizations to which he or she would like to direct funds, as well as the amount of the funds he or she would like each non-profit organization to receive; assuming the Council, including the Finance Division of the Council, does not object to providing funds to a particular non-profit organization identified by a Council Member, the non-profit organization enters into a contract with an intermediary, typically a New York City agency, which is responsible both for the actual disbursement of the discretionary funds as well as oversight of

the way in which the non-profit organization spends the funds. The intermediary/City agency typically does not disburse the entirety of the discretionary funds at the beginning of the contract, but rather disburses the allocated funds over the course of the given fiscal year. Should the non-profit organization fail to abide by the terms of its contract, fail to provide adequate services, or otherwise fail to properly account for its expenditures, the intermediary/City agency can decline to disburse funds to the non-profit organization and may even terminate the contract.

### Overview of the Fraudulent Scheme

- 23. Between in or about 2002 through and including in or about 2009, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, directed or attempted to direct Council discretionary funds to purportedly independent non-profit organizations, that in truth and in fact, SEABROOK controlled. Among other things, SEABROOK negotiated the leasing of office space for these organizations, created the budgets for these groups, and made personnel decisions for the groups. Furthermore, in truth and in fact and as SEABROOK well knew, these non-profit organizations were not doing enough legitimate work to justify the funds they were receiving from the Council.
- 24. Between in or about 2002 through and including in or about 2009, the non-profit organizations associated with LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, paid hundreds of thousands of dollars in

salary and "consulting" fees to, among others, SEABROOK's girlfriend, brother, sisters, and nephews.

about 2009, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, and others agreed to make specific material misrepresentations and/or material omissions to New York City (the "City") and to the Council so that SEABROOK could continue to fund the non-profit organizations and the non-profit organizations could continue paying individuals close to SEABROOK. Among other things, SEABROOK and others knowingly made false and inflated claims about the expenses that the non-profit organizations were incurring, including rent costs, so that the City would continue disbursing funds to the organizations, some of which funds were then used to pay, among others, SEABROOK's girlfriend, brother, sisters, and nephews.

# Non-Profit Organizations Associated With SEABROOK

26. At all times relevant to this Indictment, LARRY

SEABROOK, the defendant, directly associated himself with a

number of non-profit organizations (collectively, the "Seabrook-Related Non-Profits"), including the North East Bronx

Redevelopment Corporation ("NEBRC"); the Bronx African-American

Chamber of Commerce ("BAACC"); the New York African-American

Legal & Civic Hall of Fame, Inc., and the African-American Civic

& Legal Hall of Fame Inc. Leon Eastmond Educational Excellence

Program (collectively, the "Hall of Fame"); and Mercy Foundation of NY, Inc. (the "Mercy Foundation"). SEABROOK was also closely associated with another non-profit organization called the African-American Bronx Unity Day Parade, Inc. (the "Unity Day Parade").

- 27. At all times relevant to the Indictment, the Seabrook-Related Non-Profits were funded with money allocated, in the first instance, by the Council, primarily at the direction of LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant.
- 28. The Seabrook-Related Non-Profits have shared office space with one another; they have frequently operated out of the same building in which LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, has maintained a district office; and they have been controlled and operated by a number of the same individuals, including SEABROOK and a woman who was SEABROOK's girlfriend ("Seabrook's Girlfriend"). Furthermore, at all times relevant to the Indictment, the Seabrook-Related Non-Profits have sublet their office space from the Unity Day Parade.

#### Payments to Individuals Close to SEABROOK

29. Of the funds that the Seabrook-Related Non-Profits received from the Council -- either directly (in the form of discretionary funding) or indirectly (as described in greater detail below) -- hundreds of thousands of dollars were disbursed to, among others, (a) the girlfriend of LARRY SEABROOK, the

- defendant; (b) SEABROOK's brother; (c) two of SEABROOK's sisters; and (d) one of SEABROOK's nephews. The Unity Day Parade paid SEABROOK's girlfriend and SEABROOK's brother an additional \$26,100. The funds were disbursed as follows:
- a. <u>Seabrook's Girlfriend</u>: Between 2002 and 2009, Seabrook's Girlfriend was paid hundreds of thousands of dollars from NEBRC, the Hall of Fame, and/or the Mercy Foundation, for work as either Executive Director or consultant. Additionally, Seabrook's Girlfriend was paid several thousand dollars for consulting work for the Unity Day Parade. Finally, between 2004 and 2009, Seabrook's Girlfriend was paid tens of thousands of dollars for performing work for SEABROOK's Council office.
- b. <u>Seabrook's Brother</u>: Between 2002 and 2009, SEABROOK's brother ("Seabrook's Brother") was paid tens of thousands of dollars by NEBRC for work as a program director and several thousand dollars by the Hall of Fame for work as a consultant. Seabrook's Brother was paid thousands of dollars from the Unity Day Parade.
- c. <u>Seabrook Sister # 1</u>: Between 2002 and 2009, one of SEABROOK's sisters ("Seabrook Sister # 1") was paid tens of thousands of dollars by NEBRC, the Hall of Fame, and/or the Mercy Foundation. The funds either went to Seabrook Sister # 1 directly or through a company she owned and controlled. At all times relevant to the Indictment, Seabrook Sister # 1 lived in

Georgia.

- d. <u>Seabrook Sister # 2</u>: Between 2002 and 2006, another of SEABROOK's sisters ("Seabrook Sister # 2") was paid several thousand dollars by the Hall of Fame and/or the Mercy Foundation for consulting work and for furnishing copies of a book she wrote. The funds either went to Seabrook Sister # 2 directly or through a company she owned or controlled. At all times relevant to the Indictment, Seabrook Sister # 2 lived in Florida.
- e. <u>Seabrook's Nephew</u>: Between 2002 and 2009, for work as a consultant or employee, one of SEABROOK's nephews ("Seabrook Nephew") was paid tens of thousands of dollars from NEBRC, the Hall of Fame, and/or the Mercy Foundation.

  Additionally, Seabrook's Nephew was paid over \$25,000 for performing work for SEABROOK's Council office.
- 30. NEBRC, the Hall of Fame, and/or the Mercy Foundation also paid thousands of dollars to other individuals with ties to LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, including another of SEABROOK's nephews, and the son of Seabrook's Girlfriend, each of whom was also paid for performing work for Seabrook's Council Office.

## Means and Methods of the Conspiracy

31. In making discretionary fund allocations to the Seabrook-Related Non-Profits that would benefit individuals close to him, including, among others, his girlfriend, his siblings,

and his nephew, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, made a number of material omissions to the Council and/or other City agencies through which discretionary funds were allocated to the Seabrook-Related Non-Profits. These material omissions included the following: SEABROOK failed to disclose that the Seabrook-Related Non-Profits and/or their staff were not doing enough legitimate work to justify the funds they were receiving from the Council.

and/or otherwise directed Council discretionary funds to the Seabrook-Related Non-Profits, SEABROOK and others agreed to make specific material misstatements and misrepresentations to the City agencies with which NEBRC, the Hall of Fame and the Mercy Foundation had contracts to receive discretionary funds. Among other things, SEABROOK and others made false and inflated claims about the expenses that the Seabrook-Related Non-Profits were incurring, so that it would appear that these non-profits were doing more work than they were, in fact, doing, and so that the City would continue disbursing funds to the Seabrook-Related Non-Profits.

## The Inflated Rent Scheme

33. One component of the scheme to defraud New York
City in connection with discretionary funding involved material
misrepresentations that LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, and his
unindicted co-conspirators made about the costs of renting office

space for NEBRC, the Hall of Fame, and the Mercy Foundation.

- 34. From in or about the summer of 2004 up to and including in or about the summer of 2007, NEBRC, the Hall of Fame, and the Mercy Foundation operated at a series of locations: from in or about the summer of 2004 up to and including in or about the summer of 2005, these non-profit organizations operated at 3763-3765 White Plains Road in the Bronx ("Location # 1"); from in or about the summer of 2005 up to and including in or about the summer of 2006, these non-profit organizations operated at 3687 White Plains Road in the Bronx ("Location # 2"); and from in or about the summer of 2006 up to and including at least in or about the summer of 2007, these non-profit organizations operated at, among other places, 1530 East 222<sup>nd</sup> Street in the Bronx ("Location # 3").
- 35. Rather than leasing their space directly from the actual landlords at Locations # 1, # 2, and # 3, NEBRC, the Hall of Fame, and the Mercy Foundation entered into fraudulent "subleases" with the Unity Day Parade, which in turn leased the space directly from the actual landlords for each of the respective locations. Each year, the three non-profit organizations collectively agreed to pay the Unity Day Parade an amount that was substantially greater than the rent that the Unity Day Parade paid the actual landlord.

- Numerous times between in or about the summer of 36. 2004 and in or about the summer of 2007, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, himself determined certain budget line items for the contracts that NEBRC, the Hall of Fame, and the Mercy Foundation entered into with City agencies in order to receive the discretionary funds that SEABROOK had directed to them. budgets included itemized expenses, such as rent costs. SEABROOK determined these budget line items for the contracts for the non-profit organizations - budgets that his unindicted coconspirators later submitted to the City agencies - SEABROOK grossly inflated the legitimate rent costs by indicating the amount of rent each non-profit organization owed the Unity Day Parade, rather than the money that was due to be paid to the real landlord. The excess funds were disbursed by the Unity Day Parade to, among others, SEABROOK's brother.
- and the summer of 2005, NEBRC and the Hall of Fame billed the City for a total of approximately \$26,400 in rent for Location # 1 and paid the Unity Day Parade a total of approximately \$26,400. In truth and in fact, however, the Unity Day Parade disbursed only approximately \$6,000 for rental costs during that time period. NEBRC and the Hall of Fame defrauded the City of approximately \$20,400.

- and the summer of 2006, NEBRC and the Hall of Fame billed the City for a total of approximately \$72,000 in rent for Location # 2 and paid the Unity Day Parade a total of approximately \$54,400. In truth and in fact, however, the Unity Day Parade actually paid the landlord for Location # 2 only approximately \$18,000 for renting Location # 2 during that time period. In so doing, NEBRC and the Hall of Fame defrauded the City of approximately \$54,000.
- and the summer of 2007, NEBRC and the Mercy Foundation billed the City, directly or indirectly, for a total of approximately \$78,000 in rent for Location # 3 and paid the Unity Day Parade a total of approximately \$81,000. In truth and in fact, however, the Unity Day Parade actually paid the landlord for Location # 3 only approximately \$49,500. In so doing, NEBRC and the Mercy Foundation defrauded the City of approximately \$28,500.
- 40. Accordingly, in connection with the inflated rent scheme alone, LARRY SEABROOK, his unindicted co-conspirators, and the non-profit organizations defrauded the City of approximately \$102,900.

### Other Inflated Expenses

41. Between in or about 2002 and in or about 2006,
NEBRC and the Hall of Fame also made material misrepresentations
to the City about non-rent expenses they had purportedly

incurred. NEBRC and the Hall of Fame made these representations to the City agencies administering the non-profit organizations' contracts to receive discretionary funds, and NEBRC and the Hall of Fame did so in order to insure that the City agencies administering their contracts would, in fact, continue to disburse the discretionary funds.

and the Hall of Fame requested reimbursement from the City in connection with expenses for which reimbursement had already been made. The City then disbursed tens of thousands of dollars to NEBRC and the Hall of Fame for expenses that had already been reimbursed and for some that do not appear to have been incurred by the non-profit organizations in the first place.

## Statutory Allegation

43. From in or about 2002 up to and including in or about 2009, in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, together with others known and unknown, willfully, and knowingly did combine, conspire, confederate and agree together and with each other to commit mail fraud and wire fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 1343.

# Objects of the Conspiracy

44. It was a part and the objects of the conspiracy that LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, together with others known and

unknown, having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud the City in connection with discretionary funding for the Seabrook-Related Non-Profits, and for obtaining such money by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations and promises, for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice and attempting to do so, would and did (1) transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of wire and radio communications in interstate and foreign commerce, writings, signs, signals, pictures, and sounds, to wit, interstate telephone calls, interstate faxes, and interstate wire transfers of funds, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343, and (2) cause matters and things to be delivered by mail and private interstate carrier according to the directions thereon, to wit, correspondence, including correspondence regarding contracts, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1341.

(Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349.)

### COUNT FIVE

(Mail Fraud in Connection With New York City Council Discretionary Funding)

The Grand Jury further charges:

45. The allegations contained in paragraph one and paragraphs 22 through 42 of this Indictment are repeated and realleged as though fully set forth herein.

46. From in or about 2002 up to and including in or about 2009, in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud, and for obtaining money and property by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, willfully and knowingly, did, for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice and attempting to do so, cause mail matter to be sent and delivered by the United States Postal Service, and deposit and cause to be deposited matters and things to be sent and delivered by private and commercial interstate carriers, and take and receive therefrom, matters and things, and knowingly to cause such matters and things to be delivered by mail and such carriers according to the direction thereon, and at the place at which it was directed to be delivered by the person to whom it was addressed, such matters and things, to wit, SEABROOK engaged in a scheme to defraud the City in connection with discretionary funding for the Seabrook-Related Non-Profits, and in furtherance of that scheme, he caused to be mailed correspondence, including correspondence regarding contracts.

(Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.)

#### COUNT SIX

(Wire Fraud in Connection With New York City Council Discretionary Funding)

The Grand Jury further charges:

- 47. The allegations contained in paragraph one and paragraphs 22 through 42 of this Indictment are repeated and realleged as though fully set forth herein.
- about 2009, in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud, and for obtaining money by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations and promises, willfully and knowingly, did transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of wire communication in interstate and foreign commerce, writings, signs, signals, pictures, and sounds for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice, to wit, SEABROOK engaged in a scheme to defraud the City in connection with discretionary funding for the Seabrook-Related Non-Profits, and in furtherance of that scheme, he transmitted and caused to be transmitted interstate telephone calls and interstate wire transfers of funds.

(Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1343 and 2.)

### COUNT SEVEN

(Conspiracy to Commit Fraud in Connection with the Council's FDNY Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative)

The Grand Jury further charges:

49. The allegations contained in paragraph one and paragraphs 22 through 42 of this Indictment are repeated and realleged as though fully set forth herein.

# Overview of the Fraudulent Scheme

- 50. In or about 2006, a certain City agency ("City Agency # 1") audited NEBRC in connection with certain contracts NEBRC had to receive discretionary funding allocated by LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant. Among other things, City Agency # 1 identified widespread financial mismanagement and accounting improprieties at NEBRC, and discovered that NEBRC fell radically short of the performance goals set by those contracts. A representative of City Agency # 1 discussed these problems directly with SEABROOK.
- 51. Notwithstanding his knowledge of NEBRC's problems,
  LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, recommended that NEBRC receive
  approximately \$300,000 of funds that the Council had allocated to
  increase diversity in the ranks of the New York City Fire

  Department ("FDNY"). SEABROOK also recommended that a certain
  college in Manhattan (the "College") receive \$450,000 in other
  funding relating to this initiative (the "Fire
  Diversity/Recruitment Initiative" or the "Initiative"). The
  Council ultimately allocated \$750,000 to the College and directed

the College to subcontract with NEBRC in the amount of \$300,000.

- make specific material misrepresentations and material omissions to the Council and to the College so that NEBRC and individuals close to SEABROOK, including, among others, his girlfriend, his sister, and his nephew could receive funding in connection with the Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative. In recommending NEBRC, SEABROOK made material misrepresentations, including that NEBRC would successfully and effectively use the funds to advance the goals of the Initiative. Furthermore, SEABROOK failed to disclose certain material facts, including the fact that City Agency # 1 had recently audited NEBRC and identified serious problems with NEBRC's financial accounting as well as with its performance under the contract.
- 53. Although NEBRC had represented to both the Council and the College that it would use the \$300,000 in funds both to recruit individuals to take the FDNY firefighter examination and to mentor those individuals in connection with the examination, including with physical conditioning training, in truth and in fact, NEBRC itself ultimately provided neither mentorship nor physical conditioning training. Furthermore, NEBRC used some of the funds it received to pay, among others, Seabrook's Girlfriend, Seabrook Sister # 1, and Seabrook's Nephew.

# City Agency # 1's Audit of NEBRC

- 54. In or about 2006, City Agency # 1 -- an agency that had, in the past, entered into contracts with NEBRC and which was at the time overseeing a current contract with NEBRC -- conducted an audit of NEBRC's expenses during a prior year at the same time that program administrators at City Agency # 1 identified serious problems with NEBRC's performance in connection with a contract worth approximately \$355,000.
- 55. In the spring and summer of 2006, representatives of City Agency # 1 had a number of meetings and/or conversations about NEBRC with, among others, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, a high-ranking member of SEABROOK's Council office, and Seabrook's Girlfriend. During these meetings and/or conversations, representatives of City Agency # 1 expressed serious concern about NEBRC's financial management and its ability to meet the goals of the contract. During these meetings and/or conversations, representatives of City Agency # 1 also indicated that City Agency # 1 intended to rate NEBRC "unsatisfactory," in which case, the rating would be included in the City's vendor database and would affect NEBRC's ability to continue doing work with the City.
- 56. In or about the early fall of 2006, City Agency # 1 asked the New York City Department of Investigation ("DOI") to begin an investigation of NEBRC. In or about October 2006, a

representative of a different City agency directly informed LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, that NEBRC was under investigation and that the City agency could not move forward with any contracts with NEBRC.

# The Fire/Diversity Recruitment Initiative

New York City Fire Department, the Council, in or about the summer of 2005, allocated approximately \$1.5 million to, among other things, recruit and train minorities to take and pass the firefighter examination and thereafter become City firefighters. Certain of those funds were not, however, disbursed between the summer of 2005 and the summer of 2006 and were instead "rolled over" to the following fiscal year. In the interim, between in or about 2005 and in or about 2006, the Council sought to identify entities that could successfully implement the Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative and effectively utilize the funds allocated by the Council in connection with that Initiative.

# Means and Methods of the Conspiracy

58. At least in or about the summer of 2006,

LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, recommended that NEBRC receive a

portion of the funds allocated by the Council in connection with

the Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative, because, according to

SEABROOK, NEBRC was prepared to successfully implement the

Initiative. SEABROOK also recommended that the College receive a portion of the funds allocated by the Council.

- NEBRC and individuals close to LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, including, among others, Seabrook's Girlfriend, Seabrook's Sister # 1, and Seabrook's Nephew in connection with the Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative, SEABROOK made material misrepresentations, including that NEBRC would be able to successfully and effectively use the funds to further the goals of the Initiative. Furthermore, SEABROOK and others failed to disclose to the Council certain material facts which he knew to be true, including that City Agency # 1 had recently audited NEBRC and identified serious problems with NEBRC's financial accounting as well as with its performance under the contract.
- disbursement of Initiative funds to NEBRC did SEABROOK or any other representative of NEBRC inform the Council or the College that NEBRC was under investigation by DOI.
- 61. In or about the summer or early fall of 2006,
  Seabrook's Girlfriend submitted, to the Council and/or the
  College, a proposal describing what NEBRC could do to assist in
  the Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative. In the proposal,
  NEBRC described itself as providing "a broad range of
  intergenerational services to the community," including "training

programs (e.g., job readiness, computer, and specialized occupational training)." NEBRC proposed to implement a city-wide recruitment campaign and also proposed to provide "educational services" to prospective firefighters, including "educational needs assessment," "instructional and tutorial services," and "physical conditioning" training.

- 62. In the proposal that Seabrook's Girlfriend submitted to the Council and/or the College, NEBRC also included a proposed budget of \$318,000, which listed itemized expenses for, among other things, rent (\$42,000), an Executive Director (\$25,000), a program coordinator (\$35,000), a physical conditioning trainer (\$10,000), consultants who would provide training (\$25,000), and printing (\$5,000).
- 63. On or about September 20, 2006, the Council directed that \$750,000 of the "rolled over" funds be allocated to the College, and the Council further directed the College to subcontract \$300,000 of those funds to NEBRC in connection with the Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative. NEBRC ultimately received the funds in one check dated November 10, 2006, in the amount of \$84,288, and one check dated January 22, 2007, in the amount of \$215,712.
- 64. On or about September 27, 2006, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, and another representative of NEBRC attended a meeting with a high-ranking officer of the College to discuss the Fire

Diversity/Recruitment Initiative. Among other things, SEABROOK "vouched" for NEBRC at this meeting, stating and/or otherwise implying that NEBRC was a good and effective community organization.

65. Although NEBRC ultimately did engage in some recruitment activity in connection with the Initiative -- by, for example, placing advertisements in newspapers and distributing promotional flyers -- NEBRC did not provide any of the mentoring, training, or physical conditioning it had represented that it would provide. Mentoring and training sessions did take place in the Bronx on seven occasions between November 2006 and January 2007, but that mentoring and training was, in fact, provided solely by individuals associated with an organization of African-American firefighters ("Firefighter Society"). The individuals from the Firefighter Society who provided that mentoring and training were volunteers who were not compensated for their time by NEBRC or otherwise. Furthermore, to the extent NEBRC provided any financial support for mentoring and training, it provided approximately \$10,000 for certain training materials that a member of the Firefighter Society procured. NEBRC also reimbursed an individual from the Firefighter Society who had personally spent approximately \$5,000 to cover the costs of certain mailings -- but NEBRC did so only after the individual from the Firefighter Society repeatedly requested reimbursement

and threatened to go to the press to report NEBRC's failure to reimburse him. Finally, although NEBRC had promised to provide physical conditioning training, NEBRC neither itself provided nor otherwise funded any physical conditioning training. When an individual from the Firefighter Society requested funds to rent space in which to conduct physical conditioning, an associate of SEABROOK ("Seabrook Associate # 2") at NEBRC told him there were no funds left to cover the costs.

- 66. NEBRC disbursed the funds it received in connection with the Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative to, among others, Seabrook's Girlfriend, who served as Executive Director in connection with the Initiative; Seabrook Sister # 1, who served as a "consultant" in connection with the Initiative and was paid \$10,000 to write a brief report; and Seabrook's Nephew, who served as a "recruiter."
- asked the College for information about what NEBRC had done in connection with the Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative, Seabrook Associate # 2 made a number of material misrepresentations concerning the work that NEBRC had done. For example, in an email dated June 30, 2008, Seabrook Associate # 2 told a representative of the College, in sum and substance, that NEBRC had worked closely with the Firefighter Society in providing mentoring sessions and test preparation sessions.

Seabrook Associate # 2 further stated, in sum and substance, that NEBRC would continue to provide mentorship until applicants had been hired by the Fire Department. In truth and in fact, however, NEBRC did not serve any meaningful role in the training sessions led by the Firefighter Society, nor did NEBRC provide mentorship through the "physical portion of the test."

## Statutory Allegation

about 2008, in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere,
LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, together with others known and
unknown, willfully, and knowingly did combine, conspire,
confederate and agree together and with each other to commit mail
fraud and wire fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States
Code, Sections 1341 and 1343.

### Objects of the Conspiracy

LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, together with others known and unknown, having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud the City in connection with the Council's Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative, and for obtaining money by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations and promises, for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice and attempting to do so, would and did (1) transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of wire and radio communications in

interstate and foreign commerce, writings, signs, signals, pictures, and sounds, to wit, interstate telephone calls and interstate wire transfers of funds, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343, and (2) cause matters and things to be delivered by mail and private interstate carrier according to the directions thereon, to wit, correspondence, including advertisements, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1341.

(Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349.)

### COUNT EIGHT

(Mail Fraud in Connection with the Council's FDNY Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative)

The Grand Jury further charges:

- 70. The allegations contained in paragraph one, paragraphs 22 through 42, and paragraphs 50 through 67 of this Indictment are repeated and realleged as though fully set forth herein.
- 71. From in or about 2006 up to and including in or about 2008, in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud, and for obtaining money and property by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, did, for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice and attempting to do so, cause mail matter to be sent and delivered by the United States Postal Service, and deposit and cause to be deposited matters and things

to be sent and delivered by private and commercial interstate carriers, and take and receive therefrom, matters and things, and knowingly to cause such matters and things to be delivered by mail and such carriers according to the direction thereon, and at the place at which it was directed to be delivered by the person to whom it was addressed, such matters and things, to wit, SEABROOK engaged in a scheme to defraud the City in connection with the Council's Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative, and in furtherance of that scheme, he caused to be mailed correspondence, including advertisements.

(Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.)

#### COUNT NINE

(Wire Fraud in Connection with the Council's FDNY Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative)

The Grand Jury further charges:

- 72. The allegations contained in paragraph one, paragraphs 22 through 42, and paragraphs 50 through 67 of this Indictment are repeated and realleged as though fully set forth herein.
- 73. From in or about 2006 up to and including in or about 2008, in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud, and for obtaining money by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations and promises, willfully, and knowingly, did transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of wire communication in interstate and

foreign commerce, writings, signs, signals, pictures, and sounds for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice, to wit, SEABROOK engaged in a scheme to defraud the City in connection with the Council's Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative, and in furtherance of that scheme, he transmitted and caused to be transmitted interstate telephone calls and interstate wire transfers of funds.

(Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1343 and 2.)

#### COUNT TEN

(Conspiracy to Defraud a Non-Profit Organization in Connection With a Job Placement Program Funded by the Council)

The Grand Jury further charges:

74. The allegations contained in paragraph one, paragraphs 22 through 42, and paragraphs 50 through 67 of this Indictment are repeated and realleged as though fully set forth herein.

#### Overview of the Fraudulent Scheme

75. In or about 2007, the Council allocated millions of dollars in connection with its Jobs To Build On Program ("JTBO"), a job training and employment initiative spearheaded by, among others, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant. The Council allocated these JTBO funds, in the first instance, to a certain university in the City ("University"). The University then entered into a contract with a certain workers' education and training organization ("Workers' Organization") to administer the JTBO

funds.

- 76. After entering into a contract with the University, the Workers' Organization sought to identify community-based organizations with which it could partner to more effectively provide outreach for employment and training services throughout the City in connection with the JTBO initiative. In or about the summer of 2007, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, recommended that the Workers' Organization partner with (a) NEBRC and (b) the BAACC, an organization that SEABROOK helped create following City Agency # 1's audit of NEBRC. The Workers' Organization ultimately entered into a \$350,000 contract with NEBRC and a \$195,000 contract with BAACC.
- 77. In recommending that the Workers' Organization contract with NEBRC and BAACC which contracts would benefit individuals close to LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, including, among others, Seabrook's Girlfriend and Seabrook's Nephew SEABROOK falsely represented that NEBRC and BAACC were entities with whom the Workers' Organization could contract to effectively provide outreach for employment and training services. Furthermore, SEABROOK failed to disclose material facts including: (a) City Agency # 1 had audited NEBRC and identified serious problems with NEBRC's financial accounting as well as with its performance under the contract; and (b) NEBRC had been under investigation by DOI.

78. Between 2007 and 2008, in the course of administering its contracts with NEBRC and BAACC, the Workers' Organization identified serious problems with the financial management of these groups, discovered that these groups were falling radically short of the performance goals set forth in the contracts, and, in the case of BAACC, the Workers' Organization ultimately terminated the contract.

## Events Leading to the Creation of the BAACC

In or about December 2006 or January 2007, several months after LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, had learned that City Agency # 1 had discovered serious problems with the management and operation of NEBRC, SEABROOK approached the executive of a non-profit African-American chamber of commerce ("African-American Chamber of Commerce Executive") in an attempt to direct, to her group, discretionary funds that SEABROOK previously had attempted to allocate to NEBRC. SEABROOK asked the African-American Chamber of Commerce Executive, in sum and substance, whether she and her organization would be willing to partner with him to implement approximately \$500,000 of programs relating to the promotion of business opportunities for people of color. SEABROOK told the African-American Chamber of Commerce Executive that the funds would be overseen by City Agency # 1. African-American Chamber of Commerce Executive conferred with the board of her organization and agreed to enter into a partnership

with SEABROOK to implement these programs.

- 80. On or about January 11, 2007, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, sent a memorandum to the Finance Division of the Council requesting, among other things, that \$355,000 of funding allocated to NEBRC for the 2006-2007 fiscal year be transferred instead to the organization led by the African-American Chamber of Commerce Executive.
- Subsequently, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, insisted 81. that the African-American Chamber of Commerce Executive hire and work with an individual not affiliated with her organization ("Seabrook Associate # 3"). Subsequently, the African-American Chamber of Commerce Executive objected to the use of her organization as a conduit for funds. After the African-American Chamber of Commerce Executive questioned certain statements that she believed Seabrook Associate # 3 had made on behalf of her organization and without her authorization, on or about January 29, 2007, Seabrook Associate # 3 sent the African-American Chamber of Commerce Executive an email in which he stated, in sum and substance, that the Executive's organization would simply act as a fiscal conduit. Soon after, and before the City actually transferred any funds to her organization, the African-American Chamber of Commerce Executive informed SEABROOK and City Agency # 1 that her organization was no longer willing to partner with SEABROOK.

82. Several weeks later, on or about March 20, 2007, the BAACC was created at the direction of LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant. In or about May 2007, Seabrook Associate # 1 filed papers with the New York State Department of State incorporating BAACC.

## The Attempted Funding of the BAACC

83. In or about the summer of 2007, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, requested that certain discretionary funds be allocated to BAACC, including the \$355,000 that SEABROOK previously had asked the Council to allocate to the organization led by the African-American Chamber of Commerce Executive.

## Background on the Jobs To Build On Program

- 84. In or about 2007, the Workers' Organization a non-profit organization dedicated to providing employment, training and educational services to workers entered into a contract with the University to receive millions of dollars of funds allocated to that University by the Council in connection with the JTBO initiative spearheaded by, among others, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant. Pursuant to that contract, the Workers' Organization was obligated to use the funds for, among other things, job training and placement.
- 85. After receiving the contract, the Workers' Organization sought to identify community-based organizations with which it could partner to more effectively provide outreach for employment

and training services throughout the City.

## Means and Methods of the Conspiracy

- 86. In or about the summer of 2007, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, provided the Workers' Organization with a list of 11 community-based organizations that the Council recommended the Workers' Organization enter into contracts with to effectively provide outreach for employment and training services. Of the 11 organizations on the list SEABROOK provided, one was NEBRC and another was BAACC.
- 87. In recommending that the Workers' Organization contract with NEBRC and BAACC to provide services (and thus provide benefits to individuals close to him), LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, failed to disclose to the Workers' Organization, as he well knew, the following material facts, among others:
- a. City Agency # 1 had audited NEBRC and identified serious problems with NEBRC's financial accounting as well as with its performance under the contract; and
  - b. NEBRC had been under investigation by DOI.
- 88. Moreover, in recommending that the Workers'
  Organization contract with NEBRC and BAACC to provide services,

  LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, falsely represented that NEBRC and

  BAACC were entities with whom the Workers' Organization could

  contract to effectively provide outreach for employment and

  training services. Additionally, as described below, in a

proposal submitted to the Workers's Organization, NEBRC misrepresented the nature of its work with the FDNY Diversity Initiative.

### The Contract with NEBRC

- organizations on the list provided by LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, the Workers' Organization required interested organizations to submit a proposal detailing the work the organization could perform. On or about October 16, 2007, NEBRC submitted a proposal to the Workers' Organization. In its proposal, NEBRC touted itself as being "a community catalyst for the educational and employment advance of residents of its neighborhood." As an example of its recent work, NEBRC pointed to its "successful effort to recruit more minorities into the FDNY" and falsely stated that NEBRC -- "in collaboration with" the firefighter society -- "held weekly tutorial sessions for 4 months in preparation for the FDNY exam." NEBRC also purported to have effectively recruited "354" students in connection with the Fire Diversity/Recruitment Initiative.
  - 90. Subsequently, in or about December 2007, the Workers' Organization entered into a contract with NEBRC in the amount of \$350,000 for the contract period of July 2007 up to and including June 2008. Pursuant to the contract, NEBRC agreed to make contact with 1,000 potential job clients, assess 500 clients for

eligibility and suitability, register 365 of these clients, and provide employment support services to 285 of them.

- 91. During the course of its contract with NEBRC, the Workers' Organization identified serious problems with NEBRC's financial management and its performance under the contract with the Workers' Organization.
- 92. On or about June 30, 2008, the Workers' Organization sent a letter to NEBRC stating that NEBRC's contract would not be renewed.
- 93. Of the funds NEBRC received from the Workers'
  Organization for the work it purported to have performed,
  approximately \$27,500 was paid to Seabrook's Girlfriend, and
  \$5,700 was paid to Seabrook's Nephew.

### The Contract with BAACC

- 94. In or about the fall of 2007, BAACC submitted a proposal to the Workers' Organization explaining that while it was a new organization, it was prepared to draw upon the experiences of its founders, board members, and staff to provide "creative solutions" to the old problem of unemployment in the Bronx.
- 95. In or about February 2008, the Workers' Organization entered into a contract with BAACC in the amount of \$195,000 for the contract period of February 2008 up to and including November 2008. Pursuant to the contract, BAACC agreed, among other

things, to make contact with 500 potential job services clients, assess 300 clients for eligibility and services, register 150 of them into services, and provide employment support services to 150. In addition, BAACC agreed, among other things, to provide 40 registered clients with direct job placement services, 24 of whom would be employed 90 days after initial employment.

96. Almost from the outset of the contract, the Workers' Organization had serious concerns about BAACC's performance, administration, and financial management. Ultimately, the Workers' Organization terminated BAACC's contract.

### Statutory Allegation

97. From in or about 2007 up to and including in or about 2008, in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, together with others known and unknown, willfully and knowingly did combine, conspire, confederate and agree together and with each other to commit mail fraud and wire fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 1343.

### Objects of the Conspiracy

98. It was a part and an object of the conspiracy that LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, together with others known and unknown, having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud the Workers' Organization in connection with the Jobs to Build On Program funded by the Council, and for

obtaining money by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations and promises, for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice and attempting to do so, would and did (1) transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of wire and radio communications in interstate and foreign commerce, writings, signs, signals, pictures, and sounds, to wit, interstate wire transfers of funds, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343, and (2) cause matters and things to be delivered by mail and private interstate carrier according to the directions thereon, to wit, correspondence, including recruitment flyers, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1341.

(Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349.)

### COUNT ELEVEN

(Mail Fraud in Connection with a Job Placement Program Funded by the Council)

The Grand Jury further charges:

- 99. The allegations contained in paragraph one, paragraphs 22 through 42, paragraphs 50 through 67, and paragraphs 75 through 96 of this Indictment are repeated and realleged as though fully set forth herein.
- about 2008, in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere,
  LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, having devised and intending to
  devise a scheme and artifice to defraud, and for obtaining money
  and property by means of false and fraudulent pretenses,

representations, and promises, willfully and knowingly, did, for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice and attempting to do so, cause mail matter to be sent and delivered by the United States Postal Service, and deposit and cause to be deposited matters and things to be sent and delivered by private and commercial interstate carriers, and take and receive therefrom, matters and things, and knowingly to cause such matters and things to be delivered by mail and such carriers according to the direction thereon, and at the place at which it was directed to be delivered by the person to whom it was addressed, such matters and things, to wit, SEABROOK engaged in a scheme to defraud the Workers' Organization in connection with the Jobs to Build On Program funded by the Council, and in furtherance of that scheme, he caused to be mailed correspondence, including recruitment flyers.

(Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.)

### COUNT TWELVE

(Wire Fraud in Connection with a Job Placement Program Funded by the Council)

The Grand Jury further charges:

- 101. The allegations contained in paragraph one, paragraphs 22 through 42, paragraphs 50 through 67, and paragraphs 75 through 96 of this Indictment are repeated and realleged as though fully set forth herein.
  - 102. From in or about 2007 up to and including in or

about 2008, in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud, and for obtaining money by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations and promises, willfully and knowingly, did transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of wire communication in interstate and foreign commerce, writings, signs, signals, pictures, and sounds for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice, to wit, SEABROOK engaged in a scheme to defraud the Workers' Organization in connection with the Jobs to Build On Program funded by the Council, and in furtherance of that scheme, he transmitted and caused to be transmitted interstate wire transfers of funds.

(Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1343 and 2.)

### FORFEITURE ALLEGATION

103. As the result of committing the mail and wire fraud, conspiracy, and unlawful gratuity offenses in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 666, 1341, 1343, 1349, and 1952 alleged in Counts One through Twelve of this Indictment, LARRY SEABROOK, the defendant, shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(c) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461, all property, real and personal, that constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to the commission of the offenses.

#### Substitute Asset Provision

a result of any act or omission of the defendant: (a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence; (b) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person; (c) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court; (d) has been substantially diminished in value; or (e) has been commingled with other property that cannot be subdivided without difficulty, it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of said defendant up to the value of the forfeitable property.

(Title 18, United States Code, Section 981 and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461.)

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#### SUPERSEDING INDICTMENT

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(18 U.S.C. §§ 666(a)(1)(B), 1341, 1343, 1349, 1952(a)(1), 1956(a)(1)(B)(i), & 2)

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