

Florida man indicted in Cumberland County for possession of 480 cartons of untaxed cigarettes

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BRIDGETON — The second individual in a month has been indicted on charges of possession of hundreds of cartons of untaxed cigarettes, following what officials described as a sting operation last winter.

Alton Riddick, 53, of Ocoee, Fla., was arrested (by Treasury Special Agents) on Jan. 18 in Vineland for allegedly possessing 480 cartons of cigarettes that were missing their tax stamps.

A Cumberland County Grand Jury indicted Riddick on May 23.

In all, he faces fourth-degree possession of untaxed cigarettes, third-degree failure to maintain tax records, fourth-degree evasion of taxes and fourth-degree possession of a controlled dangerous substance — more than 50 grams of marijuana.

Riddick remains in Cumberland County Jail in lieu of bail.

On May 9, a Cumberland County Grand Jury indicted 52-year-old Stanislaw Kielczweski, from Lindenhurst, N.Y., on possession of untaxed cigarettes and evasion of taxes following his arrest last December.

According to authorities, Kielczweski possessed 960 cartons of untaxed cigarettes. The seller was an undercover police officer.

Kielczweski was released on \$100,000 bail soon after his arrest, on Dec. 20, 2011.

According to the indictments, both Kielczweski and Riddick “did deal with persons not properly licensed or registered with the Division of Taxation with the intent to evade, avoid or otherwise not make timely payments of the New Jersey cigarette tax.”