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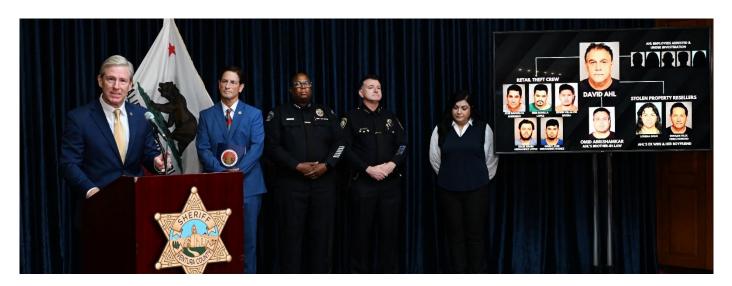
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Nine Defendants Charged in Nation's Largest Home Depot Organized Retail Theft Conspiracy



VENTURA, Calif. – Ventura County District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today the filing of felony charges against nine defendants accused of participating in the largest organized retail theft case in Home Depot's history, a multi-county operation responsible for millions of dollars in losses to stores across Southern California.

"This case demonstrates the scale, scope, and sophistication of organized retail theft," District Attorney Nasarenko said. "This wasn't shoplifting, it was a criminal enterprise that allegedly stole millions, and it was finally stopped here in Ventura County."

The alleged ringleader is David Ahl (DOB 01/01/66), of Woodland Hills, who is accused of directing theft crews to steal high-end electrical merchandise, such as dimmer switches, circuit breakers, and outlets, that he then resold through Arya Wholesale, his Tarzana business. Ahl faces 45 felony counts, including conspiracy, organized retail theft, grand theft, receiving stolen property, and money laundering. He is currently in custody with bail set at \$500,000.

Also charged are Ahl's brother-in-law, Omid Abrishamkar (DOB 10/07/89), of Calabasas, who faces 11 felony counts including conspiracy, receiving stolen property, and money laundering. He is accused of reselling stolen merchandise online through eBay. Ahl's ex-wife, Lorena Solis (DOB 01/23/71), of Downey, and her partner, Enrique Neira Moreno (DOB 02/08/66), of Downey, are each charged with eight felony counts of conspiracy for their alleged roles in reselling stolen merchandise throughout the Los Angeles area. Abrishamkar, Solis, and Moreno remain in custody with bail set at \$500,000.

"This case shows just how profitable and damaging organized retail theft can be," Ventura County Sheriff Jim Fryhoff said at today's news conference. "It shows the importance of collaboration. This investigation would not have been possible without the hard work of our detectives from our task force, the support of Home Depot Loss Prevention, and grant funding from the state."

Supplying these illegitimate operations were two alleged organized theft crews. The primary crew, made up of Jose Banuelos Guerrero

(DOB 11/22/64), of South Gate, Edwin Rivera (DOB 09/27/92), of Los Angeles, and Eber Bonilla-Lopez (DOB 02/20/86), of Pomona, are accused of committing daily thefts, sometimes several times a day, stealing between \$6,000 and \$10,000 worth of merchandise at a time. They face multiple felony counts including conspiracy, organized retail theft, receiving stolen property, and grand theft. A second theft crew, consisting of Erlin Lopez-Hernandez (11/17/96) and Denny Gomez (DOB 11/18/81), both of Pomona, are accused of stealing several times per week from Home Depot stores throughout the region. They are charged with three felony counts of conspiracy to commit organized retail theft. Bonilla-Lopez is being held on \$500,000 bail, the other four are each being held on \$250,000 bail.

Investigators with the Ventura County Organized Retail Theft Task Force, have tracked these crews to more than 600 alleged thefts since January 2025 in Ventura, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties. Home Depot estimates that this criminal enterprise is responsible for at least \$10 million dollars in stolen merchandise over several years. The task force seized at least \$3.7 million in stolen Home Depot property since the arrests took place on August 14, 2025. The District Attorney's Office has also seized over \$800,000 in suspected illicit money from the financial accounts belonging to Ahl and Abrishamkar.

"These criminals have been operating a sophisticated multimillion-dollar enterprise that hurts businesses, workers and ultimately consumers," said Los Angeles District Attorney Nathan Hochman. "Today's charges send a crystal-clear message, if you engage in these schemes we will find you. And it makes no difference if you are in Los Angeles County, Ventura County or anywhere in California, we will work with our law enforcement partners to dismantle criminal networks."

This case was made possible through two state-funded Organized Retail Theft grants that support specialized investigators and prosecutors. It was also filed in Ventura County under the authority of Assembly Bill 1779, authored by Assemblymember Jacqui Irwin, which allows prosecutors to consolidate cases involving the same defendants across multiple counties.



Watch today's news conference: Home Depot Organized Retail Theft News Conference

Photos, videos, and the felony complaint can be downloaded here: https://we.tl/t-Yr9dF6Ffoa