Newsday/Hoy

Between 2001 and 2004, the circulation of Newsday was inflated by nearly 100,000 copies, and Hoy by as much as 45,000, to the detriment of advertisers.

Recent case update**

On August 29, 2008, the nine defendants were sentenced to 5 years' probation. In addition, below are the ordered fines. No restitution was ordered.

Louis Sito FINE \$15,000 FORFEITURE \$100,000

Robert Brennan FINE \$20,000 FORFEITURE \$90,000

Ed Smith FINE \$100,000 FORFEITURE \$0

Richard Czark FINE \$125,000 FORFEITURE \$0

Robert Garcia FINE \$15,000 FORFEITURE \$0

Dorothy McKillop FINE \$10,000 FORFEITURE \$0

Dennis Springer FINE \$0 FORFEITURE \$0

John Faiella FINE \$0 FORFEITURE \$50,000

Gustavo Acosta FINE \$125,000 FORFEITURE \$50,000

Previous case update

The August 4, 2008 status hearing has been adjourned to August 29, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. The defendants will be sentenced on the same day. Objections to Chief Magistrate Judge's report and recommendations, if any, shall be heard at that time. Please see the document entitled "Restitution hearing 8-29-08 and sentencing dates/times" for details.

A status hearing is scheduled for August 4, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. before the Honorable Jack B Weinstein.

There are two status hearings scheduled: June 6, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. and June 30, 2008 at 10:30 a.m. If you are interested in attending, the United States Federal Court for the Eastern District of New York is located at 225 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, New York. The hearing will be held before the Honorable Jack B. Weinstein.

For additional details, please see the Status report and Order located on the website.

The sentencing hearings that were scheduled for December 20, 2007 were adjourned. On January 29, 2008, the court asked the government to prepare a response to the submissions of Newsday and certain representatives of victims, concerning Newsday's efforts to compensate advertisers and the government's ability to provide the Court with the names and identities of additional victims. The government was afforded two weeks to return to the Court with its proposal for reviewing those submissions and indicated that it intended to consult an expert in economics and finance to advise the government. Our office will keep you informed. Thank you.

•	Robert Brennan	Criminal Docket Number 05-0747
•	Robert Garcia	Criminal Docket Number 06-0169
•	Richard Czark	Criminal Docket Number 06-0170
•	Louis Sito	Criminal Docket Number 06-0171
•	Gus Acosta	Criminal Docket Number 06-0172
•	Ed Smith	Criminal Docket Number 06-0173
•	Dennis Springer	Criminal Docket Number 06-0334