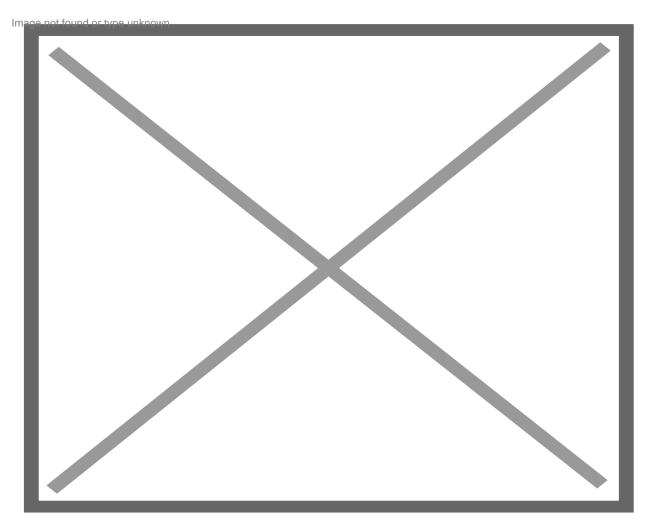
Bank Employee Arrested for Writing Herself a \$4,000 Check Using Someone's Account Number, Driver's License, Police Say

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Ivia Rivera. By. The Virgin Islands Police Department

ST. CROIX -- A bank employee was arrested on Friday after she was caught using the account of someone she knows, who police say is an elderly woman, to write herself a \$4,000 check, V.I.P.D. Public Information Officer Toby Derima has announced.

According to Mr. Derima, on Friday at approximately 4:31 p.m., detectives from the Virgin Islands Police Department's Economic Crimes Unit and officers from the Virgin Islands Crime Initiative Unit arrested 26-year-old Ivia Rivera, and charged her with aggravated identity theft, obtaining money by false pretense, grand larceny, and conspiracy.

Mr. Derima said an investigation revealed that Rivera used a local bank's database to print a temporary check in the amount of \$4,000 under an association's account, retrieved the victim's driver's license and cashed the check without the victim's knowledge.

Unable to make bail of \$50,000, Rivera was remanded to the Golden Grove Detention Center pending her advisement hearing.

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