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Former Banco Popular Employee Pleads Guilty to Bank Fraud

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ST. THOMAS — United States Attorney Gretchen C.F. Shappert for the District of the Virgin Islands announced today that Natasha Seetaram pleaded guilty to bank fraud.

According to the plea agreement and other public documents filed in the case, Seetaram formerly worked at the St. Thomas branch of a bank identified by the initials "BP," (Banco Popular). She used her position at the bank to issue debit cards in the names of two bank customers without the customers' knowledge or consent. Seetaram then used the cards for her own personal benefit, making approximately \$50,000 in ATM withdrawals and purchases, first in St. Thomas and later in Jacksonville, FL when she relocated her residence there.

This case is being investigated by the United States Secret Service. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Nathan Brooks and Kyle Payne.

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