



**ILLINOIS MAN SENTENCED TO 18 MONTHS IN PRISON FOR
AMTRAK TICKET FRAUD SCHEME**

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Case Number: IL-18-0245-O

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Ryan Taylor Minter, of Calumet City, Illinois, was sentenced in United States District Court, Central District of Illinois, on October 6, 2020, to 18 months in prison, one-year probation and was ordered to pay restitution of \$15,938 for wire fraud charges. Our investigation found that Minter participated in a scheme to defraud Amtrak and others by using stolen credit card information from at least 216 different credit or debit cards to purchase Amtrak tickets online valued at over \$29,000. Minter used Amtrak's mobile application and website to purchase the tickets and then advertised them at a discounted price on social media sites frequented by college students.