

Housewife in court over \$3.8m property loan fraud

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A housewife appeared in the Eastern Magistracy today (Thursday) after being charged by the ICAC with defrauding a licensed money lender of a property loan of \$3.8 million by falsely representing that she was the lawful attorney of her husband.

Cheung Hau-yee, 62, who was charged on Tuesday (August 30), faced one count of fraud, contrary to Section 16A of the Theft Ordinance.

No plea was taken today. Acting Principal Magistrate Joseph To Ho-shing transferred the case to the District Court for plea on September 20 this year.

The case arose from a corruption complaint. Subsequent ICAC enquiries revealed the above alleged offence.

At the material time, Cheung and her husband were joint tenants of a flat in a residential estate in Chai Wan.

The charge alleged that between an unknown day in February and March 26, 2015, Cheung falsely represented to Lei Shing Hong Credit Limited (LSH), a licensed money lender, that her husband had authorised her to be his lawful attorney to deal with the 50 per cent shares he held in the flat; her husband was an applicant in the application to LSH for a property loan in relation to the flat; and all the information and the documents submitted in relation to the property loan were accurate and complete.

It was alleged that, the defendant, with intent to defraud, induced LSH to approve the property loan in the amount of \$3.8 million to her and her husband, which resulted in benefit to her, or in prejudice to LSH and her husband.

The defendant was granted cash bail of \$50,000. She was ordered not to leave Hong Kong and not to interfere with prosecution witnesses.

LSH had rendered full assistance to the ICAC during its investigation.

The prosecution was today represented by ICAC officer Lily Kam.

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廉署起訴主婦疑涉詐騙三百八十萬元物業貸款今提堂

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廉政公署落案起訴一名家庭主婦，控告她涉嫌訛稱是其丈夫的合法受權人，詐騙一間持牌放債人公司一筆三百八十萬元的物業貸款。被告今日(星期四)在東區裁判法院應訊。

張巧宜，六十二歲，家庭主婦，於星期二(八月三十日)被控一項欺詐罪名，違反《盜竊罪條例》第16A條。

被告今日毋須答辯。署任主任裁判官杜浩成將案件轉介區域法院至本年九月二十日答辯。

廉署早前接獲貪污投訴，調查其後揭發上述涉嫌罪行。

被告於案發時與其丈夫是柴灣一個私人屋苑單位的聯權共有人。

控罪指被告涉嫌於二〇一五年二月某日至三月二十六日期間，向持牌放債人公司利星行信貸有限公司(利星行)虛假地表示，其丈夫已授權她作為其合法受權人，以處理他所持有有關單位的百分之五十份數；其丈夫是向利星行申請涉及該單位的物業貸款的申請人；以及所有就該物業貸款而提交的資料及文件都是準確及完整的。

被告涉嫌意圖詐騙而誘使利星行向她及其丈夫批出三百八十萬元的物業貸款，導致她獲得利益，或利星行及其丈夫蒙受不利。

被告獲准以現金五萬元保釋，並受命不准離開香港及不得騷擾控方證人。

利星行在廉署調查案件期間提供全面協助。

控方今日由廉署人員甘俐麗代表出庭。

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