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TOXIC RELATIONSHIP Real estate mogul Sergio Pino 'poisoned wife and hired men to kill her' before he was found dead at \$8m mansion

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suicide during a SWAT raid of his million-dollar mansion.

Developer Sergio Pino, 67, died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound during an [FBI](#) raid at his [Florida](#) home,

cons said



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Sergio Pino was found dead at his home on Tuesday

Credit: Century Homebuilders Group, LLC



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Pino's estranged wife Tatiana accused him of poisoning her with fentanyl Credit: Instagram



for-hire investigation Credit: CBS4



Tatiana Pino filed for divorce from Sergio in 2022 after 32 years of marriage Credit: Facebook

The FBI raided Pino's \$8 million home Tuesday morning with the intent to arrest him for hiring people to kill his estranged wife, Tatiana, [cops](#) revealed in a news conference Wednesday.

Tatiana, 55, claimed that Sergio poisoned her "multiple times" with fentanyl throughout their two-year divorce battle.

The allegations against Pino in the former couple's divorce proceedings also included claims of [arson](#) and



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FBI officials said the real estate mogul was found dead from an "apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound" in an upstairs bedroom of his waterfront home in Coral Gates, about five miles outside of [Miami](#).

Pino's attorney, Sam Rabin, confirmed to The U.S. Sun that he died by suicide.

"Sergio Pino took his own life today," Rabin said in a statement slamming how law enforcement handled the raid.

"The level of law enforcement activity at his residence was unprecedented and unnecessary, especially since we had offered to surrender him should that have become necessary.

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"Today's events mark a very tragic ending to an investigation that we were confident we could successfully defend.

"There were many rumors and allegations but what was lacking was evidence."

FBI RAID

ABC affiliate [WPLG](#) reported that agents picked up electronics, safes, and three boxes of documents from the home.

The outlet reportedly heard the sound of "periodic flash-bangs" as the SWAT team's raid ensued.

Authorities had conducted another raid in connection with the murder-for-hire investigation that morning in Miami, where they made an arrest.

"The subject was arrested without incident and a search of that location was conducted," officials said in a statement.

FBI's statement about the incident

FBI Miami's Special Agent in Charge Jeffrey Veltri



which are connected to an ongoing murder-for-hire investigation initiated in the Fall of 2023," Veltri said.

"The first operation was at 9720 Bel Aire Drive in Miami. The subject was arrested without incident and a search of that location was conducted. No further information about this location will be released at this time.

"The second location was at 142 Isla Dorada Boulevard in Coral Gables where the subject, Sergio Pino, was discovered by the FBI inside the residence deceased from an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound.

"Upon arrival, members of the FBI Miami SWAT team attempted to call out any occupants of the residence.

"When there was no response, the SWAT team entered the residence and conducted a methodical search to locate the subject. Ultimately, Mr. Pino was discovered alone in an upstairs bedroom.

"The ultimate determination of cause of death will come from the medical examiner's office.

"I would like to thank the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Florida for their close cooperation and diligence during this investigation.

"Because this is an ongoing investigation, no further information will be released at this time," the statement concluded.

The FBI...


The group was offered \$150,000 and told to kill her before the former couple's next court hearing.

Pino allegedly offered the crew a \$150,000 bonus if the murder couldn't be connected back to him.

FORMER EMPLOYEE INVOLVED

Another one of the plots saw four men arrested in a stalking conspiracy in connection to the case, according to [court documents](#).

Bayron Bennett, Sergio's former employee, was one of the men arrested.

An FBI affidavit says that Bennett worked on the Pinos' yacht.

HIT AND RUN

Court documents allege that Bennett was involved with a hit-and-run outside of Tatiana's home in August 2023, which investigators say was a targeted case.

Video footage shows Tatiana pulling into her driveway as a Home Depot pickup truck circled backward around the car until it rammed into the passenger side of her SUV and drove off.





Four men were arrested in connection to the contracted crime Credit: NBC Miami

Michael Dulfo, one of the four arrested who police said was connected to renting the Home Depot truck, told investigators that he was "contracted" to commit the crime, according to the FBI's affidavit.

DIVORCE BATTLE

Tatiana had filed for divorce from Sergio in April 2022 after 32 years of marriage.

She said in divorce documents that she began to have health problems around 2019 or 2020.

Tatiana's attorney, Raymond Rafool, told WPLG that testing around that time revealed "bath salts in her medications and fentanyl in her system."

The attorney alleged that the only known suspect in the case was Sergio.

"My client feels very strongly that he has been trying to poison her for two years" before she filed for divorce, the attorney told local NBC affiliate [WTVJ](#)



“We knew the husband Sergio Pino was attempting to kill and harm Tatiana,” Rafool said.

"But, we learned today from the Federal Bureau Investigation in its news conference that in addition to the prior attacks, a second hit squad that committed the armed attack on Tatiana on June 22, 2024, at her home were hired by Sergio Pino and Sergio Pino paid \$150,000 and gave instructions to kill Tatiana before the next divorce hearing, with a \$150,000 bonus if the murder did not connect back to Sergio Pino.”

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“We wish thank the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the United States Attorney’s Office for the Southern District of Florida, for their incredible work in keeping Tatiana safe and bringing all to justice.

"If it was not for their superlative devotion and dedication, there would have been a different disastrous result," he said.

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