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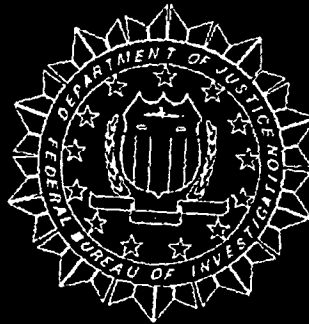
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*"When I die, bury me deep, place two  
canes at my feet. A five-point star  
across my chest, and tell my brothers  
I did my best."*

Vice Lord Prayer

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**I. SYNOPSIS**

**The Vice Lord Nation is a violent African American street gang, although there are documented instances of caucasian and hispanic members. The gang is involved in a myriad of criminal activities, but mainly concentrates efforts on the distribution and sale of crack cocaine.**

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**The Vice Lord Nation is based in Chicago, Illinois, and is predominantly located in the midwest of the United States.**

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## **II. DETAILS**

### **A. ORGANIZATION**

#### **I. HISTORICAL OVERVIEW**

**The Vice Lord Nation is the oldest street gang in Chicago, IL, and is one of the four major gangs in the city along with Black Gangster Disciple Nation, Latin Kings, and Latin Disciples. The gang, originally called the Conservative Vice Lord Nation, was founded by unidentified juveniles in 1958 at the Illinois State Training School for Boys (a juvenile detention center) in St. Charles, IL. Following the release of several of the juvenile members, the gang organized in the Lawndale area of Chicago, IL, in order to defend members from opposing groups in the neighborhood. The gang expanded and began taking over territory from weaker gangs. The gang found that it could make money through organized and continuous criminal activity. The gang's base continues to be in the Lawndale area of the city.**

**In the late 1960s, the gang was awarded federal assistance for the rehabilitation of local youths. The Federal Assisted Job Training Programs allowed the Vice Lords to run a teen center and job training program for youths. There was an allegation of fraud lodged against the Vice Lords involving the misuse of funds. [REDACTED] were believed to be using the funds for personal gain instead of aiding the community. However, no Vice Lord gang members were convicted of any fraud involving these programs.**

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**The gang's influence declined dramatically in the 1970s due to the imprisonment or death of its leadership. Its territory and influence remained in the west side of the city until the 1980s. In the 1980s the gang resurfaced due to the release of gang leaders and members from the penal system returning to the area. The gang's influence and territory has greatly expanded to currently include portions of the north and south sides of the city.**

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[redacted] **Key/Dominant Individuals**

Conservative Vice Lords key individuals have been identified as

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Gang leaders have been identified as [redacted]

## 2. ASSOCIATED CRIMINAL ORGANIZATIONS

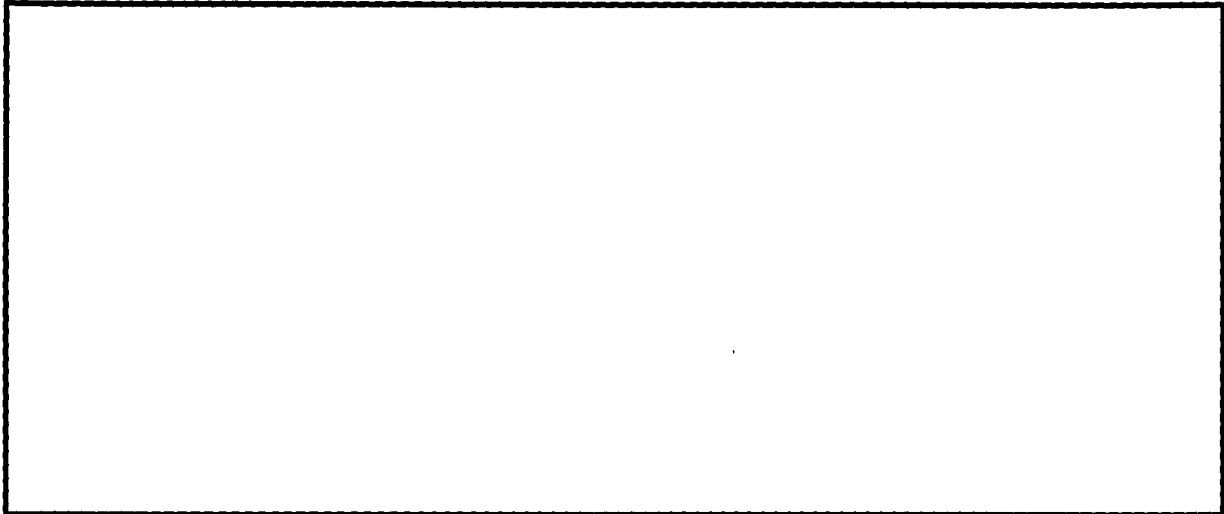
Gangs based in Chicago, IL, traditionally belong to one of two alliances: Folks or People. Both alliances were established in the 1980s in the Illinois penal system to determine association and provide protection. The Folks and People alliances are enemies, however, there have been exceptions to this rule in order to facilitate drug trafficking.

The Vice Lord Nation is a People gang and therefore shares amicable relations with the following gangs: 2-2 Boys, Almighty Latin King Nation, Bishops, Black P Stone Nation, Blackstone Hangers, Cobra Stones, Cullerton Deuces, El Rukns, Gaylords, Insane Deuces, Insane Unknowns, Kents, Latin Brothers, Latin Counts, Latin Gents,

P.R. Stones, Pachuco, Spanish Lords, Villa Lobos, and Warlords.  
There is a strong alliance with the Latin Kings both in and out of the penal system.

The following Folk gangs are considered to be enemies of the Vice Lord Nation: 2-6 Boys, Ambrose, Ashland Vikings, Black Gangster Disciple Nation, Black Souls, Braziers, C-Notes, Campbell Boys, Harrison Gents, Insane Popes, La Raza, Latin Disciples, Latin Dragons, Latin Eagles, Latin Jivers, Latin Lovers, Latin Souls, Maniac Latin Disciples, Maniac Disciples, Simon City Royals, Spanish Cobras, Spanish Gangster Disciples, and Supreme Gangsters. . . . .

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### 3. ASSOCIATED ORGANIZATIONS AND BUSINESSES

**United Concerned Voters League:** In an April 1992 publication, the Illinois State Police reported that in 1985 the Unknown Conservative Vice Lords from Chicago, IL, obtained a charter from the state to be a nonprofit voter league with the name United Concerned Voters League (note the similarity in the first initials of each).

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## **APPENDIX C - VICE LORD SET NAMES**

- **Conservative Vice Lords**
- **Ebony Vice Lords**
- **Four Corner Hustlers**
- **Horner Home Vice Lords**
- **Insane Vice Lords: Cicero Insane Vice Lords, Mafia Insane Vice Lords, Imperial Insane Vice Lords**
- **Renegade Vice Lords**
- **Rockwell Garden Vice Lords**
- **Traveling Vice Lords**
- **Undertaker Vice Lords**
- **Unknown Vice Lords**