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Julio César Montero Pinson

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Julio César Montero Pinson. Photo from the DEA’s individual wanted notice.

Date of birth: 02.06.1982 — по карточке ФБР

Status: Listed on the DEA’s wanted list; facing criminal charges in the US

Other names: Julio César Montero Pinzón; El Tarjetas; Moreno; El Chess; Cesar Hernandez Jimenez; CH Jimenez; Commandante Tarjetas; Plasticas

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Brief profile

Field	Details
Name in sources	Julio César Montero Pinzón
Date of birth	2 June 1982 — according to the FBI file
Jurisdiction and international links	Mexico; USA
Legal status	Listed on the DEA's wanted list; facing criminal charges in the US
Other names and aliases	El Tarjetas; Moreno; El Chess; Cesar Hernandez Jimenez; CH Jimenez; Commandante Tarjetas; Plasticas

Drug case and separate financial conspiracy

An indictment issued by the District of Columbia on 11 January 2024 describes an alleged conspiracy to manufacture and distribute cocaine and methamphetamine for importation into the US. A firearms charge has also been brought. The period covered by the indictment begins around 2014. [1][2][3]

The FBI has separately reported on an arrest warrant dated 27 October 2025 in the Eastern District of New York: money laundering, communications fraud and providing material support to a foreign terrorist organisation. This constitutes a separate line of proceedings. [1][2][3]

What does the link to timeshares mean?

According to the FBI, the scheme was intended to generate additional revenue to fund the CJNG's drug and arms trafficking activities. The wanted notices feature a photograph, the aliases 'Moreno' and 'El Chess', and offer a reward of up to 10 million dollars. This information does not constitute confirmation of a conviction. [1][2][3]

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Timeline of the case

Date	Event
11.01.2024	Drug-related charge in the District of Columbia.
27.10.2025	A federal warrant has been issued in connection with a financial case in New York.

Verified on 4 November 2026. The status of the case is based on the sources cited; charges and allegations do not constitute a conviction.

Sources

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