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Sergio Luis Martínez Varela

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Sergio Luis Martínez Varela. Photo from the FBI’s individual wanted person file.

Date of birth: 23.08.1967 — по карточке ФБР

Status: Published on the FBI’s wanted list; criminal charges in the US

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Other names: Sergio Luis Martínez Varela; Sergio Martinez; Sergio L. Martinez Varela

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Brief background

Field	Details
Name in sources	Sergio Luis Martínez Varela
Date of birth	23 August 1967 — according to the FBI file
Jurisdiction and international links	USA; Chicago; links to Mexico
Legal status	Published on the FBI's wanted list; criminal charges in the US
Other names and aliases	Sergio Martinez; Sergio L. Martinez Varela

The 2004 investigation and the 2006 warrant

The FBI describes a joint operation involving local, state and federal agencies between April and December 2004. The charges against Martínez Varela include conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, money laundering and aiding and abetting. [1]

The warrant was issued on 3 October 2006 by the US District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. The mere fact that the warrant is some time old does not prove that the case has been closed: at the time of checking, the FBI continues to list him among its wanted persons. [1]

What distinguishes his profile from those of his co-defendants

In the financial aspect of the case, Martinez Varela has been directly charged with money laundering. This charge should not automatically be attributed to all other individuals wanted in connection with the same investigation. The wanted notice mentions links to Mexico and the alternative spellings 'Sergio Martinez' and 'Sergio L. Martinez Varela'. [1]

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Timeline of the case

Date	Event
April–December 2004	A joint investigation in the Chicago area.
03.10.2006	A federal arrest warrant has been issued for him.

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

1. FBI – Sergio Luis Martínez Varela’s individual wanted notice

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