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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

June 2014 Grand Jury

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

MARLA LYNN CUNNINGHAM,

Defendant.

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Title 26, U.S.C. Sec. 7206(2) - Aiding and Assisting in the Filing of False Tax Returns

The grand jury charges:

## INTRODUCTORY ALLEGATIONS

1. Defendant MARLA LYNN CUNNINGHAM, owned and operated a tax return preparation business called Cunningham's Tax Service, which was located in El Cajon, California.

## Counts 1-36

26 U.S.C. § 7206(2)

## AIDING AND ASSISTING IN THE FILING OF FALSE TAX RETURNS

2. That on or about the dates hereinafter set forth, within the Southern District of California, and elsewhere, defendant MARLA LYNN CUNNINGHAM, a resident of San Diego, California, did willfully aid and assist in, and procure, counsel, and advise the preparation and BJW:MRH:nlv:San Diego 7/15/15

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presentation to the Internal Revenue Service, of U.S. Individual Income Tax Returns, Forms 1040 and accompanying schedules, either individual or joint, for the taxpayers and calendar years hereinafter specified. The returns were false and fraudulent as to material matters, in that they represented that the taxpayers were entitled under the provisions of the Internal Revenue laws to report income and expenses, and to claim deductions, for items and in amounts hereinafter specified, whereas, as the defendant then and there knew, the taxpayers were not entitled to report income and expenses, and to claim deductions, in the amounts reported.

3. The allegations of paragraph 2 are repeated and re-alleged in Counts 1 through 36, inclusive, of this Indictment, as though fully set forth therein:

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COUNT	DATE RECEIVED	TAX- PAYER(S)	CALENDAR YEAR	FALSE ITEM(S)		FALSE AMOUNT(S)
1	2/17/10	R.A.	2009	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$2,355
,				Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$10,719
2	2/26/11	R.A.	2010	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$6.855
,				Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$8,610
3	3/24/11	E.B. 2	2009	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$8,955
#				Sch. A, Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$3,000
				Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$15,154
				Form 8283, Line 1(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$3,000
4	Check	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$8,855		
		Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$2,500			
				Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$11,707
				Form 8283, Line 1(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$2,500
5	1/24/12	E.B.	2011	Form 8863, Line 1(c)	Education Credits	\$1,285

1	COUNT	DATE RECEIVED	TAX- PAYER(S)	CALENDAR YEAR	FALSE ITEM(S)		FALSE AMOUNT(S)
2	6	3/10/10	K.B.	2009	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$3,850
3					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$11,143
4	7	1/26/11	K.B.	2010	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$4,265
5					Sch. A, Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$1,500
					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$10,744
6					Form 8283, Line 1(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$1,500
7	8	3/7/11	M.B.	2010	Sch. A, Line 1	Medical and Dental Expenses	\$6,500
8					Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$4,525
9					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$7,100
10	9	1/26/12	M.B.	2011	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$2,875
11					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$6.828
12	10	4/11/11	L.C.	2010	Sch. A, Line 1	Medical and Dental Expenses	\$12.100
13					Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$5,850
14					Sch. A, Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$500
I					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$11,493
15	11	4/10/12	L.C.	2011	Sch. A, Line 1	Medical and Dental Expenses	\$12,840
16	:				Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$1,870
17	12	3/20/10	R.F.	2009	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$4,285
18					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	<b>\$</b> 9,733
19	13	2/26/11	R.F.	2010	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$8,525
					Sch. A, Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$4,500
20					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$20,302
21					Form 8283, Line 1(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$4.500
22	14	3/8/12	R.F.	2011	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$3,850
23					Sch. A, Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	<b>\$</b> 2,500
24					Sch. A. Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$7,221
25					Form 8283, Line I(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$2,500
26	15	1/26/10	J.G.	2009	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$1,265
27					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$10,286

1	COUNT	DATE RECEIVED	TAX- CALENDAR PAYER(S) YEAR	FALSE ITEM(S)		FALSE AMOUNT(S)	
2	16	2/28/11	J.G.	2010	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$4,855
3			 		Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$6,328
4	17	2/16/12	J.G.	2011	Form 8863, Line 1(c)	Education Credits	\$1,850
5	18	6/30/10	M.H.	2009	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$3,850
6	19	3/22/11	M.H.	2010	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$6,850
7	20	3/29/12	М.Н.	2011	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$2,267
8	21	2/24/10	D.M.	2009	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$4,430
9	22	2/16/11	D.M.	2010	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$5,988
11	23	4/2/11	T.R. A.R.	2010	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$5,885
		•			Sch. A, Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$3,500
12					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$13,143
13					Form 8283, Line 1(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$3,500
14	24	1/24/12	T.R. A.R.	2011	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$1,500
15					Sch. A, Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$2,500
16					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$3,360
17				1 1 1 1	Form 8283, Line 1(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$2,500
18	25	2/15/10	B.R.	2009	Sch. A, Line 1	Medical and Dental Expenses	\$9,055
	[		S.R.		Sch. A, Line 19	Gifts to Charity	\$4,100
19					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$10,124
20	26	1/31/11	B.R.	2010	Sch. A, Line 1	Medical and Dental Expenses	\$12,055
21			S.R.		Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$6,855
, <u>,</u>					Sch. A, Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$2,855
22		:			Sch. A, Line 19	Gifts to Charity	\$9,710
23			1	Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$11,020	
24	;				Form 8283, Line 1(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$2,855
25	27	2/6/12	B.R. 2011	2011	Sch. A, Line 1	Medical and Dental Expenses	\$11,500
26	de la companya de la		S.R.	Sch. A, Line	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$4,250
I					Sch. A, Line 19	Gifts to Charity	\$4,000
27					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$10,263

1	COUNT	DATE RECEIVED	TAX- PAYER(S)	CALENDAR YEAR	FALSE ITEM(S)		FALSE AMOUNT(S)
2	28	3/4/11	D.S. P.S.	2010	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$10,741
3	1				Sch. A. Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$7,223
4	29	2/27/12	D.S. P.S.	2011	Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$6,897
5	30	3/14/11	J.T. L.N.	2010	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$3,500
6					Sch. A. Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$3,000
					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$16,806
7					Form 8283, Line 1(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$3,000
9	31	4/12/11	M.T.	2010	Sch. A. Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$3,650
					Sch. A, Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$1,650
LO					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$10,943
.1					Form 8283, Line 1(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$1,650
12	32	3/14/12	M.T.	2011	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$1,000
L3					Sch. A, Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$500
.4					Sch. A, Line 21	Unreimbursed Employee Expenses	\$12,367
.5		1 de la companya de l			Form 8283, Line 1(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$500
.6	33	8/10/10	T.A.	2008	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$10,580
.7					Sch. A. Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$3,500
· ′					Sch. C, Line 1	Gross Receipts or Sales	\$189,800
8					Sch. C, Line 9	Car and Truck Expenses	\$9,001
و ا					Sch. C, Line 22	Supplies	\$7,856
ŀ					Sch. C, Line 25	Utilities	\$4,285
٥					Sch. C, Line 27	Other Expenses	\$3,178
21					Form 8283, Line 1(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$3,500

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2	34	6/19/10	T.A.	2009	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$10,850
3					Sch. A, Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$3,850
					Sch. C, Line 1	Gross Receipts or Sales	\$101,501
4					Sch. C, Line 9	Car and Truck Expenses	\$18,068
5					Sch. C, Line 18	Office Expenses	\$855
6					Sch. C, Line 22	Supplies	\$24,850
°					Sch. C, Line 25	Utilities	\$11,616
7					Sch. C, Line 27	Other Expenses	\$8,495
8					Form 8283, Line 1(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$3,850
9	35	3/11/11	J.B	2009	Sch. A, Line 11	Home Mortgage Interest	\$5,040
10					Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$12,855
11					Sch. A, Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$3,000
					Sch. C, Line 1	Gross Receipts or Sales	\$158,025
12					Sch. C. Line 9	Car and Truck Expenses	\$10,189
13					Sch. C, Line 24b	Travel	\$5,629
			·		Sch. C, Line 27	Other Expenses	\$2,440
14		Form 88 Line 1	Form 8829, Line 1	Area of Home Used for Business	480		
15					Form 8829, Line 10	Deductible Mortgage Interest	\$8,760
16 17					Form 8829, Line 17	Insurance	\$1,035
18					Form 8829, Line 20	Utilities	\$10,680
19					Form 8283, Line 1(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$3,000

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1	COUNT	DATE RECEIVED	TAX- PAYER(S)	CALENDAR YEAR	FALSE ITEM(S)		FALSE AMOUNT(S)
2	36	3/7/11	J.B.	2010	Sch. A, Line 16	Charitable Contributions by Cash or Check	\$9,025
3					Sch. A, Line 17	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$4,250
4					Sch. C, Line 1	Gross Receipts or Sales	\$167,144
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6					Sch. C, Line 9	Car and Truck Expenses	\$9,271
7	3				Sch. C, Line 24b	Travel	\$4,262
8					Sch. C, Line 27	Other Expenses	\$1,285
9					Form 8829, Line I	Area of Home Used for Business	420
10					Form 8829, Line 10	Deductible Mortgage Interest	\$8,760
11					Form 8829, Line 18	Rent	\$6,000
12					Form 8829, Line 19	Repairs and maintenance	\$50,000
13					Form 8829, Line 20	Utilities	\$10,800
14					Form 8283, Line 1(g)(A)	Noncash Charitable Contributions	\$4,250
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All in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7206(2).

DATED: July 16, 2015.

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