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COFFEE COUNTY MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO THEFT OF GOVERNMENT FUNDS

Montgomery, Alabama - Robin L. Morgan, age 59, of Enterprise, Alabama, pled guilty in federal district court to theft of United States government funds, U.S. Attorney Leura G. Canary announced today. Morgan pled guilty to a one count Information charging him with stealing \$1,856.18 from the federal government's Civil Service Retirement and Disability fund on or about May 1, 2006.

At his hearing, Morgan admitted that he stole the funds from an account which had belonged to his late mother-in-law, who had been receiving payments from the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund. After she died in 1997, Morgan admitted that the retirement payments continued to be deposited into her account, which he had access to. Morgan admitted to taking the payment charged in the Information for his own use and that he had no entitlement to it. However, as part of an agreement to plead guilty, Morgan agreed that he is responsible for a total loss of \$169,110.78 in payments that were taken between 1997 and May 1, 2006. Morgan agreed that he would make restitution for the total amount and that the calculation of his sentencing guidelines range would be based on the total amount of loss, \$169,110.78.

Morgan was released on bond pending sentencing in the case, which is set for December 1, 2009, at the United States District Court in Montgomery, Alabama. Morgan faces a maximum sentence of ten years imprisonment.

According to United States Attorney Leura G. Canary, "Theft of money from the

government is a serious crime that affect all taxpayers. These kinds of cases will continue to be prosecuted vigorously by this office.”

This case was investigated by the United States Secret Service and is being prosecuted by Assistant U. S. Attorney Matthew Shepherd.