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TAMPA BUSINESS OWNER SENTENCED FOR PAYING GRATUITY TO ICE AGENT

Tampa, FL - United States Attorney A. Brian Albritton, along with Steven J. Mocsary, Special Agent in Charge, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Office of Professional Responsibility, and Susan L. McCormick, Special Agent in Charge, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Office of Investigations, announces that U.S. District Judge James Whittemore has sentenced Orlando Borrás (age 48, of Tampa) to one year and one day in federal prison for offering and paying a gratuity to a public official. The court also fined Borrás \$5000 and ordered him to perform 100 hours of community service. Borrás had pleaded guilty on March 31, 2009.

According to court documents, Borrás reported a female illegal alien to ICE and asked ICE to deport her on a priority basis. Borrás then offered an ICE agent \$5000 to expedite the woman's removal.

"ICE investigates bribery attempts of our employees very seriously," said Steven J. Mocsary, Special Agent in Charge of the ICE Office of Professional Responsibility in Tampa. "All allegations of bribery are investigated thoroughly and swift enforcement action is taken when appropriate."

This case was investigated by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Office of Professional Responsibility and Office of Investigations. It was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Monk.