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FORMER IRS REVENUE OFFICER INDICTED FOR FALSE STATEMENT, OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

Fort Myers, Florida - United States Attorney A. Brian Albritton announces the unsealing of an indictment today charging Carlton Bryan (age 56, of Bonita Springs) with one count of making a false statement and two counts of obstruction of justice. If convicted, Bryan faces a maximum of five years in federal prison for count one. On counts two and three Bryan faces a maximum of 20 years in federal prison on each count. He will make his initial appearance before Magistrate Judge Douglas N. Frazier at 3:30 p.m.

Bryan was formerly employed by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as a Revenue Officer for eight years beginning in 1982. After leaving employment with the IRS, Bryan began the tax consulting service, Bryan Enterprises, Incorporated, where he represents individuals before the IRS as an enrolled agent.

According to the indictment, on April 25, 2007, Bryan made false statements to IRS agents concerning his case narrative notes. He also knowingly altered and concealed his original case file documents that had been subpoenaed by a federal grand jury.

An indictment is merely a formal charge that a defendant has committed a violation of the federal criminal laws, and every defendant is presumed innocent unless, and until, proven guilty.

This case was investigated by IRS - Criminal Investigation and it is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney David Haas.