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Event: Guilty Plea

Defendant: David Dicks

**FORMER FLINT POLICE CHIEF
PLEADS GUILTY TO FRAUD**

Former Interim Flint Police Chief David Dicks, 42, of Flint, pleaded guilty today to one count of obtaining money by fraud, United States Attorney Terrence Berg announced today.

Berg was joined in the announcement by Andrew G. Arena, Special Agent In Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation and James Vanderberg, Special Agent in Charge U.S. Department of Labor - Office of Inspector General Office of Labor Racketeering and Fraud Investigations, .

According to court records, between June 25, 2005 and July 21, 2007, David Dicks was employed by City Security Guard Company ("City Security") which had a contract with Career Alliance, Inc. Under the terms of the contract employees of City Security would provide security services at locations in Genesee county and would be compensated by Career Alliance based on the actual number of hours an employee worked. During this time period, David Dicks submitted false time sheets to City Security claiming to have worked an average

of 34 hours per week at Career Alliance facilities when in fact he had not. The total loss to Career Alliance was \$46,553.00. At the time of this offense Career Alliance, Inc. was receiving federal financial assistance and funds pursuant to a financial assistance agreement entered into under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998.

Under the terms of the plea agreement, David Dicks will receive a sentence no greater than high end of the federal sentencing guideline range, which is estimated to be 6 months to 12 months, and pay restitution in the amount of \$46,553.00. A sentencing date has been set for February 12, 2010.

Richard Dicks, 75, also of Flint, and the father of David Dicks, had been charged in an indictment for his role in the fraud, however, the government has agreed to dismiss those charges and in exchange for his cooperation, Richard Dicks will be placed into the Pretrial Diversion Program. The Diversion program allows for a defendant to be placed on a period of supervision by the U.S. Pretrial Services agency and be required to follow certain conditions set forth in the agreement. If all conditions are met and the defendant does not engage in any further criminal activity, the government will not pursue any criminal charges.

United States Attorney Berg said, "Today's guilty plea represents a fair and appropriate resolution of this prosecution. I commend the FBI and the Office of Inspector General of the Department of Labor for their excellent investigative work in this case."

This case was investigated by agents of the Department of Labor and the Federal Bureau of Investigation and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Nancy Abraham and Barbara Tanase.