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## **JACKSONVILLE DENTIST PLEADS GUILTY TO FAILURE TO FILE TAX RETURN**

United States Attorney Paul I. Perez announced that a Jacksonville dentist, Dr. Charles E. Schutt, age 66, pled guilty to a one count criminal information after three days of trial in the U.S. District Court.

Dr. Schutt pled guilty to failing to file a 1994 federal income tax return after receiving \$121,829 in gross income from various dental insurance companies during that year. At trial, witnesses testified that Dr. Schutt was a long time member and local representative of a national anti-federal income tax organization known as the Save-A-Patriot of Westminster, Maryland.

Failure of to file a federal income tax return is punishable by a maximum term of imprisonment of one year and up to \$100,000 in criminal fines, or both imprisonment and fines. Schutt is scheduled to be sentenced on May 8, 2003.