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CLARKSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA — A 53 year old Avonmore, Pennsylvania, resident entered a plea of guilty on June 2, 2004, in United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia in Clarksburg before Magistrate Judge John S. Kaull.

United States Attorney Thomas E. Johnston announced that GEORGE M. KANE entered a plea of guilty to one count of an Information charging him filing a federal income tax return that did not list all of the income attributed to him for the tax year 1998 and, particularly, did not list certain income he received within the Northern District of West Virginia.

KANE, who is currently free on bond pending sentencing, faces a maximum exposure of three years imprisonment and a fine of \$100,000.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Shawn Angus Morgan. The case was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service; the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General; and the Federal Bureau of Investigations.