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## ESCORT SERVICE OPERATOR PLEADS GUILTY TO ATTEMPTED INCOME TAX EVASION

SALE LAKE CITY – Escort service operator Roy B. Hoskins today plead guilty to charges of attempted income tax evasion, the Department of Justice and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) announced.

The indictment alleges that Hoskins owned and operated Companions, an escort service that maintained its principal place of business in the District of Utah. According to the indictment, Hoskins knowingly omitted substantial income from Companions from his individual 2001 and 2002 Forms 1040.

Hoskins faces a maximum potential sentence of five years imprisonment, or a fine of \$250,000, or both, for each charge. A sentencing hearing was scheduled for July 6, 2009, at 2 p.m. in U.S. District Judge Dee Benson's courtroom.

This case was prosecuted by attorneys from the United States Department of Justice Tax Division and the United States Attorneys Office for the District of Utah. The case was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigations Division.

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