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FORMER ATLANTA RESIDENT SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR NOT PAYING HIS INCOME TAXES

Convicted Tax Cheater Wendell White did Not Report Over \$560,000 in Income

ATLANTA, GA - WENDELL WHITE, 41, of Woodland Hills, California, was sentenced today by United States District Judge William S. Duffey, Jr., to serve 2 years in federal prison on charges of filing false income tax returns.

“This defendant hid over \$500,000 in income and cheated the tax-paying public out of over \$200,000 in taxes,” said United States Attorney Sally Quillian Yates. “Tax fraud is a serious crime and this defendant will now spend two years in prison.”

IRS-Criminal Investigation Special Agent in Charge Reginael McDaniel said, “No matter what the source of income, all income is taxable. The prosecution of individuals who intentionally conceal their income and evade taxes is a vital element of the IRS enforcement strategy.”

WHITE was sentenced to 2 years in prison to be followed by 1 year of supervised release, and fined \$10,000. He was ordered to pay \$233,302 in restitution to the IRS. WHITE pleaded guilty to the charges on January 29, 2010.

According to United States Attorney Yates, the charges and other information presented in court: WENDELL WHITE, who formerly lived in Atlanta, submitted false income tax returns to the IRS in 2003, 2004, and 2005. WHITE failed to report over \$560,000 of income during those 3 years, and he must now pay the IRS \$233,302 to satisfy his unpaid taxes. WHITE admitted that at least some of the income he failed to report came from illegal sources.

This case was investigated by Special Agents of the Internal Revenue Service - Criminal Investigation.

Assistant United States Attorney Christopher Bly prosecuted the case.

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