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WATERTOWN MAN GUILTY OF TAX EVASION

RICHARD S. HARTUNIAN, United States Attorney, Northern District of New York announces that **ALTON SHARLOW**, 45, of Watertown, NY, pled guilty in the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York before Chief Judge Norman A. Mordue to a two-count information charging him with evasion of assessment of personal income tax, in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7201, and willful failure to pay over tax, in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7202. **SHARLOW'S** sentencing is currently scheduled for January 19, 2011. He is facing a statutory maximum sentence of 5 years imprisonment and a maximum fine of \$250,000.00.

SHARLOW was the owner and operator of Janco Management, a commercial floor cleaning business in Watertown, New York. During 2004 through 2006, **SHARLOW** received cash payments from several Janco Management clients for cleaning services performed by Janco. During 2004 through 2006, **SHARLOW** intentionally under reported his gross receipts to his tax preparer by \$393,341.00 for the years 2004 through 2006.

This prosecution resulted from an investigation conducted by the Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigations Division, Syracuse, New York. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Ransom P. Reynolds. Further questions may be directed to Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney John Duncan at (315) 448-0672.