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**BRONX MINISTER PLEADS GUILTY TO PARTICIPATING IN
IMMIGRATION FRAUD SCHEME**

MICHAEL J. GARCIA, United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, announced that CAMERON LLOYD, 56, a minister, pleaded guilty today in Manhattan federal court to one count of conspiracy to commit visa fraud in connection with a sham marriage scheme that netted the participants more than one million dollars. According to the Indictment and other documents publicly filed in this case:

BEVERLY MOZER-BROWNE owned and operated a business in Queens, New York, called Help Preparers Professional Services (HPPS) that purported to offer its customers assistance in a variety of financial and legal matters. In fact, the primary business at HPPS was fraudulently procuring permanent resident documents, or "green cards," from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (CIS), formerly known as the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), in exchange for fees ranging from \$8,000 to \$16,000.

To do this, MOZER-BROWNE conspired with various others, including her brother, PHILLIP A. BROWNE, then employed by CIS as a District Adjudication Officer, and minister CAMERON LLOYD. LLOYD's role was to perform sham marriages between U.S. citizens and aliens, following which HPPS would file green card applications for the aliens. PHILLIP BROWNE would then approve the applications without requiring the applicants to appear for interviews. From approximately April 2001 through November 2005 the conspirators fraudulently procured hundreds of green cards from CIS, reaping fees totaling more than \$1 million. During his plea, LLOYD admitted that he signed blank marriage certificates and gave them to MOZER-BROWNE, knowing that she would eventually submit the certificates to INS (CIS's predecessor agency).

LLOYD faces a maximum sentence of five years' imprisonment and a maximum fine of the greater of \$250,000, or

twice the gross gain or gross loss from the offense.

Twenty-nine other defendants have been charged in this case. Of those, 24, including LLOYD, have already pled guilty. Charges against the remaining defendants, including BEVERLY MOZER-BROWNE and PHILLIP BROWNE, remain pending; as to those defendants, the charges in the Indictment are merely allegations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

Mr. GARCIA praised Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Office of the Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security, for their work in this investigation.

Assistant United States Attorneys CHRISTINE Y. WONG and MICHAEL A. LEVY are in charge of the prosecution.

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