

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : **CRIMINAL NO. 07-_____**
v. : **DATE FILED: November 8, 2007**
THOMAS E. BUTLER, JR. : **VIOLATIONS:**
: **26 U.S.C. § 7203 (willful failure to file tax**
: **returns - 5 counts)**

INFORMATION

COUNTS ONE TO FIVE

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES THAT:

At all times material to this information:

1. Defendant THOMAS E. BUTLER, JR. was a practicing attorney and a member of the bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
2. From in or about 2001 through in or about 2005, defendant THOMAS E. BUTLER, JR. earned more than approximately \$590,000 through his law practice and failed to file any tax returns and pay the more than approximately \$150,000 in federal taxes due on this income.
3. From in or about 2001 through in or about 2005, instead of paying his outstanding federal tax obligations, defendant THOMAS E. BUTLER, JR. spent more than at least approximately \$50,000 on expenses incurred through membership dues and house charges at the Philadelphia Cricket Club.

4. During the calendar years set forth below, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

THOMAS E. BUTLER, JR.,

a resident of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, had and received gross income substantially in excess of the minimum filing requirement, as set forth below, and that by reason of such gross income he was required by law, following the close of each calendar year and on or before April 15, or October 15 in years where an extension was sought, of the following year, to make an income tax return to the Director, Internal Revenue Service Center, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, or other proper officer of the United States, stating specifically the items of his gross income and any deductions and credits to which he was entitled; that knowing this, he willfully failed to make an income tax return to the Director of the Internal Revenue Service Center, or to any other proper officer of the United States:

COUNT	YEAR	GROSS INCOME FILING REQUIREMENT	UNREPORTED INCOME
1	2001	\$13,400	\$102,049
2	2002	\$13,850	\$104,252
3	2003	\$15,600	\$140,636
4	2004	\$15,900	\$132,374
5	2005	\$16,400	\$115,274

All in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7203.

PATRICK L. MEEHAN
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY