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SUPERSEDING INDICTMENT ADDS TAX CHARGES AGAINST DOCTOR

Christopher Vassalluzzo was charged today by Superseding Indictment¹ with a conspiracy to evade taxes and tax evasion, between 2004 and 2008, on income generated by the alleged pill mill known as the Northeast Wellness Center, announced United States Attorney Zane David Memeger. Vassalluzzo is charged with evading taxes on gross income of more than \$2.39 million,.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR YEAR OF BIRTH
Christopher Vassalluzzo	New Hope, PA	62

If convicted the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of 30 years' imprisonment, a \$1.5 million fine, three years supervised release and \$600 in special assessments.

The case was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Drug Enforcement Administration. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Pamela Foa .

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