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NEWS RELEASE

Beverly Simmons was charged yesterday in an Information¹ alleging that she defrauded the Social Security Administration of approximately \$281,855, announced United States Attorney Zane David Memeger. According to the information, Simmons received survivor's insurance benefits intended for a family member and converted those benefits to her own use for a period of more than 13 years after the family member's death. The information further alleges that Simmons received and converted to her own use disability insurance benefits intended for another family member for a period of more than 26 years after that family member's death.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR DATE OF BIRTH
Beverly Simmons	Philadelphia, PA	57

If convicted the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of ten years imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, and three years supervised release.

The case was investigated by the Social Security Administration Office of the Inspector General and is being prosecuted by Special Assistant United States Attorney Thomas Moshang III.

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