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## **FORMER MAVERICK COUNTY EMPLOYEE INDICTED IN BRIBERY SCHEME**

In Del Rio this morning, former Maverick County employee Alejandra Garcia, age 26, surrendered to federal authorities after a federal grand jury indicted her this week in connection with an alleged bribery scheme announced United States Attorney Robert Pitman and FBI Special Agent in Charge Armando Fernandez.

A federal grand jury indictment, returned on Wednesday, charges Garcia with one count of receiving bribes. According to the indictment, Garcia's duties included issuing checks to Maverick County contractors. The indictment alleges that from January 2011 until October 2011, Garcia accepted bribes to be influenced and rewarded in connection with a series of contracts worth more than \$5,000 in Maverick County funds.

Upon conviction, Garcia faces up to ten years in federal prison. Garcia is scheduled to have her Initial Appearance at 1:30pm today in Del Rio before U.S. Magistrate Judge Collis White.

This ongoing investigation is being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Texas Department of Public Safety. Individuals who have first-hand information about corruption, fraud, or bribery related to Maverick County are urged to contact the FBI at (210) 225-6741.

Assistant United States Attorney Michael Galdo is prosecuting this case on behalf of the Government.

**An indictment is merely a charge and should not be considered as evidence of guilt. The defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.**

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