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**FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HOMER HOUSING
AUTHORITY AND ACCOMPLICES ARRESTED
ON FEDERAL CHARGES**

Amount of Money Embezzled Exceeded \$300,000

Shreveport, La.: United States Attorney Stephanie A. Finley announced that Michelle Green, 34, of North Little Rock, Ark., former Executive Director of the Homer Housing Authority (HHA), and four of five accomplices were arrested today on charges of conspiracy and theft and embezzlement of Government property.

Also arrested were Curtis L. Mays, 33, of Harker Heights, Texas; Katrina G. Robertson, 38, and Flack D. Robertson, 34, both of Haynesville, La.; and Aaron Perry, 29, of Shreveport, La. Katrina Henderson, 33, of Shreveport, La., was also indicted but has not yet been arrested.

The 16-count indictment alleges that beginning in December 2007, the defendants engaged in a conspiracy to embezzle and convert to their own use funds from HHA and actually embezzled more than \$300,000 from HHA. As Executive Director, Green was responsible for overseeing the daily operation of HHA. Her duties included submitting invoices and writing checks for contractor work and employee payroll. The indictment further alleges that Green wrote numerous checks to the accomplices named in the indictment and other individuals not named in the indictment for work that was never done. Green was involved with the cashing of the checks and converted the money for her personal use and the use of her accomplices.

An indictment is merely an accusation and all defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

The case was investigated by the Office of Inspector General, Office of Investigation, Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Shreveport Resident Agency. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Joseph G. Jarzabek.

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