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## **MAN SENTENCED FOR FALSE STATEMENTS RELATED TO DEFENSE DEPARTMENT CONTRACT**

ROCHESTER, N.Y.-- U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that Denis Converse, 55, of Bergen, NY, who was convicted of making false statements to federal agencies and agents, was sentenced to five years probation and ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$311,020.55 by U.S. District Judge David G. Larimer.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Marisa J. Miller, who handled the case, stated that in 2005, the defendant was an employee of Lynx Machine and Tool, a company that supplied parts for military contracts, including parts for helicopters and Howitzer weapons. Converse falsified and altered reports and certifications that were required as part of the government contracts by changing the quantity of parts that were tested. As a result, the defendant falsely certified to the Department of Defense that the parts manufactured by Lynx Machine and Tool had undergone required testing, when in fact the parts had not been tested.

The sentencing is the culmination of an investigation on the part of Special Agents of the Department of Defense, Office of Inspector General, Defense Criminal Investigative Service (DCIS), under the direction of Edward T. Bradley; the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Division Command, Major Procurement Fraud Unit (MPFU), under the direction of Forrest W. Woodward; and the Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA) under the direction of JoAnne Corvese.

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