

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
MIAMI DIVISION**

CASE NO: 1:22-cv-21740-JLK

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| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, |) |
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| Plaintiff, |) |
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| v. |) |
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| TUPS TAX, LLC; CINDY ODIGE; |) |
| RUDY ALY; and RHONDA HUDGE, |) |
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| Defendants. |) |
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**ORDER AND JUDGMENT OF PERMANENT INJUNCTION AGAINST
RHONDA HUDGE**

Before the Court is the Stipulated Agreement for Entry of Order and Judgment of Permanent Injunction and Disgorgement Against Rhonda Hudge (DE 15).

ORDER OF PERMANENT INJUNCTION

Pursuant to 26 U.S.C. §§ 7407, 7408, and 7402, and Fed. R. Civ. P. 65:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Rhonda Hudge, and all those acting on his behalf, is, effective from the date of this Order, permanently enjoined pursuant to Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C.) §§ 7407, 7408, and 7402(a) from:

- (1) Preparing, assisting in the preparation of, or directing the preparation of federal tax returns, amended returns, or other tax-related documents or forms, including any electronically submitted tax returns or tax-related documents, for any entity or person other than herself.
- (2) Filing, assisting in the filing of, or directing the filing of federal tax returns, amended returns, or other tax-related documents or forms, including any

electronically submitted tax returns or tax-related documents, for any entity or person other than herself.

- (3) Owning, operating, managing, working in, investing in, providing capital or loans to, receiving fees or remuneration from, controlling, licensing, consulting with, or franchising a tax return preparation business.
- (4) Training, instructing, teaching, and creating or providing cheat sheets, memoranda, directions, instructions, or manuals, pertaining to the preparation of federal tax returns.
- (5) Transferring, selling, or assigning her customer lists and/or other customer information.
- (6) Selling or receiving income from any franchise agreements related to the preparation of tax returns, amended returns, or other tax-related documents or forms, including any electronically submitted tax returns or tax-related documents.
- (7) Maintaining, assigning, or obtaining a Preparer Tax Identification Number (PTIN) or an Electronic Filing Identification Number (EFIN);
- (8) Engaging in any other activity subject to penalty under 26 U.S.C. §§ 6694, 6695, 6701, or any other penalty provision in the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C.).
- (9) Engaging in any conduct that substantially interferes with the proper administration and enforcement of the internal revenue laws.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Hudge must immediately and permanently close all tax return preparation stores that she owns directly or through any entity.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Hudge is prohibited from assigning, transferring, or selling any franchise agreement, independent contractor agreement, or employment contract related to any tax return preparation business to which she or any entity under her control is a party. She may not undertake any of those activities herself or through an entity.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Hudge is barred from doing any of the following, directly or through an entity:

- (1) Transferring to any individual or entity (except a governmental tax authority) any information concerning customers for whom Ms. Hudge or any associated person or entity has prepared a tax return at any time since January 1, 2013.
- (2) Selling to any individual or entity any proprietary information pertaining to any business or name through which Ms. Hudge, or those acting at her direction, have at any time since January 1, 2013, prepared a tax return.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 15 days of the Court's Order, Ms. Hudge must provide a copy of the Court's Order to any tax preparation business or store where Ms. Hudge worked since January 1, 2018. Within 30 days of the Court's Order, Ms. Hudge must provide to counsel for the United States a signed and dated acknowledgment of receipt of the Court's Order for each person or entity to whom Ms. Hudge provided a copy of the Court's Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that judgment shall be entered in favor of the United States and against Ms. Hudge in the amount of \$15,562.75, to be paid pursuant to the agreement of the parties, for the disgorgement of the proceeds that Ms. Hudge received for the preparation of tax returns making or reporting false or fraudulent claims, deductions, credits, income,

expenses, or other information resulting in the understatement of taxes prepared in calendar years 2018 and 2020.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court shall retain jurisdiction over Ms. Hudge and over this action to enforce the permanent injunction entered against her.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the United States may conduct discovery to monitor Ms. Hudge's compliance with the terms of the permanent injunction entered against her.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at the James Lawrence King Federal Justice Building and United States Courthouse, Miami, Florida, this 3rd day of January , 2023.

cc: All counsel of record


JAMES LAWRENCE KING
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE