UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA :

: Hon. Leda Dunn Wettre

v.

Mag. No. 18-8004 (LDW)

DEON OWENSBY

: 18 U.S.C. § 701

INFORMATION

The United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey charges:

- 1. Defendant DEON OWENSBY ("defendant OWENSBY") was employed by the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") as an Attorney from on or about March 15, 2010 to on or about April 23, 2015. Defendant OWENSBY worked at the IRS Office in Trenton, New Jersey.
- 2. The IRS was an agency of the United States within the Department of Treasury, responsible for administering and enforcing the tax laws of the United States.
- 3. During defendant OWENSBY's employment with the IRS, the IRS provided him with an IRS Pocket Commission, which was an identification badge of the United States Treasury Department IRS issued to IRS employees as a means of identifying themselves to the public when performing their official duties.
- 4. Upon his separation from employment with the IRS, defendant

 OWENSBY was obligated to return all property belonging to the IRS, including the IRS Pocket

 Commission, pursuant to the IRS Internal Revenue Manual and IRS policy, and was reminded of this obligation by his then supervisor.

5. On or about April 28, 2015, defendant OWENSBY told his then supervisor that he did not have the IRS Pocket Commission and defendant OWENSBY did not return it to the IRS.

6. Subsequent to defendant OWENSBY's separation from the IRS, on or about August 31, 2015 to on or about April 13, 2017, during three separate stops by law enforcement of a vehicle that he was driving in Essex and Middlesex Counties, New Jersey, defendant OWENSBY possessed and displayed his IRS Pocket Commission to law enforcement officers who conducted the stops.

7. From on or about August 31, 2015 to on or about April 13, 2017, in Essex and Middlesex Counties, in the District of New Jersey and elsewhere, defendant

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did knowingly possess a badge, identification card, and other insignia, of the design prescribed by the head of a department or agency of the United States for use by any officer and employee thereof, and any colorable imitation thereof, that is, an Internal Revenue Service Pocket Commission and employee identification card of a federal agency, except as authorized under regulations made pursuant to law.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 701.

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