

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	CRIMINAL NO. 14- _____
v.	:	DATE FILED: _____
LORA LEWIS	:	VIOLATION: 26 U.S.C. § 7206(1) (filing false tax returns - 1 count)

INFORMATION

COUNT ONE

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES THAT:

At all times material to this information:

1. Defendant LORA LEWIS was employed by the Internal Revenue Service as a contact representative, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
2. During tax years 2007 through 2011, defendant LORA LEWIS received unemployment compensation, though she worked for the Internal Revenue Service during those years. In 2007, LEWIS received \$9,724, in 2008, \$17,200, in 2009, \$23,253, in 2010, \$17,467, and in 2011, \$18,122 in unemployment compensation, all while employed full time at the Internal Revenue Service.
3. On tax returns defendant LORA LEWIS filed for tax years, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011, defendant Lewis did not report the receipt of unemployment compensation.
4. During tax years 2007 through 2011, defendant LORA LEWIS filed income tax returns claiming to be “head of household,” thereby increasing her standard deductions and other deductions in 2007 by \$3,500, in 2008 by \$6,550, in 2009 by \$2,650, and in 2010 by \$3,359.

5. Defendant LORA LEWIS, in 2008, took a \$7,500 first time home buyers credit, though she did not purchase a home, thereby receiving a tax credit that she was not entitled.

6. During tax years 2008, 2010 and 2011, Lewis received distributions from her Thrift Savings Plan and did not report it as income. In 2008 she received \$4,600, in 2010, \$2,344, and in 2011, \$1,200, which was not repaid.

7. During tax years 2007-2011, Lewis took an earned income tax credit, knowing that she was not entitled to it, thereby reducing the amount of tax due and owing for those years. In tax year 2007 she took a credit for \$2,455, in 2008, for \$2,584, in 2009, for \$2,296, in 2010, for \$2,480, and in 2011, for \$2,146.

8. During tax years 2009 through 2011, Lewis took an education credit, knowing that she was not entitled to it, thereby reducing the amount of tax due and owing for those years. In 2009, she took a credit for \$2,000, in 2010, for \$2,600 and in 2011, for \$1,000.

9. In tax year 2009, Lewis claimed on her income tax return that she purchased an automobile, paid \$4,100 in taxes and took an additional \$500 deduction, thereby increasing her standard deduction by \$4,600, thereby lowering her taxable income, knowing that she did not purchase a vehicle.

10. During tax years 2008 through 2011, Lewis filed income tax returns claiming Individual Retirement Account (IRA) deductions in the amount of \$5,000 for each year, knowing that she did not have an IRA, thereby lowering her taxable income for each of those years.

In or about April 2009, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and elsewhere,
defendant

LORA LEWIS

willfully made and subscribed a United States income tax return, Form 1040, for tax year 2009 which was verified by a written declaration that it was made under the penalty of perjury and filed with the Internal Revenue Service Center, which defendant LORA LEWIS did not believe to be true and correct as to every material matter, in those returns.

In violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7206(1).

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