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Clinton, Miss. – A Jones County Grand Jury has returned an indictment for one count of felony tax evasion against David Michael Sanford, 50, of 1044 Euclid Ave., Laurel, Mississippi.

The indictment covers the period January 2012 through December 2015 and charges that Sanford, while engaged in the business known as Aircraft Inspection and Repair in Jones County, attempted to evade the retail sales tax and that he withheld income taxes between in the amount of \$5,140.00 from employees of the business. Sanford was not registered to file and report those taxes with the Department of Revenue.

On Thursday January 12, 2017, Sanford voluntarily surrendered to Jones County Law Enforcement Authorities and was subsequently booked into the Jones County Adult Detention Facility. Sanford was released on a \$1,000.00 bond.

If convicted, Sanford could be punished by a fine of not more than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) or imprisoned not more than five (5) years or both.

As with all cases, the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

This case was investigated by the Criminal Investigation Division of the Mississippi Department of Revenue and will be prosecuted by the Jones County District Attorney's Office.