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## **Carthage Resident Charged with Wire Fraud and Tax Evasion**

Angela Denise Williams, AKA Angelia Denise Harrell, age 46, of 82 Holly Hill Rd., Carthage, MS 39051 was indicted by a Tunica County Grand Jury on eighteen (18) counts of Wire Fraud and one (1) count of Tax Evasion. Williams was previously a resident of Tunica County.

Regarding the eighteen counts of Wire Fraud, the indictment states that Williams, during a period between January, 2009 and April, 2010, unlawfully and with the intent to defraud the Mississippi Department of Revenue made false and ineligible representations by claiming deductions and/or exemptions on income tax returns which resulted in refunds not due to the recipients. The false representations were transmitted through the use of a computer.

Regarding the one count of tax evasion, the indictment states that Williams did feloniously evade and defeat tax due by failing to report to the Department of Revenue income earned for years 2010 and 2012 from FT Services tax preparation business. The business was owned by Williams.

Williams was arrested by the Tunica County Sheriff's Office and released after posting a \$10,000 bond.

If convicted, Williams could be punished by a fine of not more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) or by imprisonment for not more than five (5) years, or by both fine and imprisonment on each of the eighteen (18) counts of Wire Fraud. Additionally, Williams 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 on each count of Tax Evasion.

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