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### **Covington County Resident Indicted for Tax Evasion**

Barry Audwin Lowery, age 56 of 284 Hwy. 59, Seminary, was recently indicted by a Grand Jury of Lamar County on ten counts of Tax Evasion. Lowery surrendered to Lamar County Sheriff's Department on November 17, 2014 and released after posting a \$25,000 bond.

The indictment states that between September 2008 and December 2012, Lowery failed to file Mississippi tax returns in an attempt to evade taxes imposed by the State.

If convicted, Lowery could be punished by a fine of not more than \$100,000 and/or imprisoned not more than five years on each of the ten counts.

The investigation was conducted by the Criminal Investigation Unit of the Mississippi Department of Revenue and will be prosecuted by the Lamar County District Attorney's Office.