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FORMER POST OFFICE EMPLOYEE SENTENCED FOR THEFT

ROCHESTER, N.Y.-- U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that Mary T. Walworth, 45, of Rochester, N.Y., who was convicted of the theft of government funds and property, was sentenced to two years supervised release by U.S. Magistrate Judge Jonathan W. Feldman and ordered to repay restitution in the amount of \$2,000 to the United States Postal Service.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Marisa J. Miller, who handled the case, stated that the defendant was an employee of the United States Postal Service for approximately 11 years as a Sales and Service Associate when it was discovered that she was stealing stamps and money. As part of her employment, the defendant worked at Post Office locations in Churchville, Hamlin, Avon, North Chili, Brockport, Hilton and Byron. Walworth took money from the Post Offices' registers. The defendant also took books of stamps from one Post Office location, sold the stamps at another location, and kept the proceeds for herself.

The sentencing is the culmination of an investigation on the part of Special Agents of the United States Postal Service - Office of Inspector General, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Robert Lapina.