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**FORMER BANKRUPTCY DEBTOR SENTENCED FOR WIRE FRAUD,
BANKRUPTCY FRAUD, AND PERJURY**

Jackson, Miss - Rhonda Marsalis, aka Rhonda C. Swan, 46, of McComb, MS, was sentenced in U.S. District Court today to serve fifteen months in prison for mail fraud, bankruptcy fraud and perjury, U. S. Attorney Don Burkhalter and U. S. Trustee R. Michael Bolen announced. She pled guilty to the charges on July 22, 2010.

Marsalis used a social security number she knew did not belong to her to fraudulently open bank accounts and to obtain loans as well as file bankruptcy. She knew the social security number to be false and not issued to her by the Commissioner of Social Security, and she falsely testified under oath that she had used such number all of her life.

The Office of the U. S. Trustee referred the matter to the U. S. Attorney for prosecution. The Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Social Security Administration assisted in the investigation of Marsalis.

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