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LOGAN COUNTY BUSINESS OWNER SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR TAX EVASION

Failed to Report Nearly \$1 Million to the IRS

CHARLESTON, W. Va. – Alison M. Lambert, 43 of Man, West Virginia was sentenced today by United States District Judge John T. Copenhaver Jr. to 12 months and one day in prison for tax evasion. Lambert previously pleaded guilty on April 16, 2010, to evading the payment of taxes on cash income generated from restaurant, bar and motel businesses she owned in Man, West Virginia. According to court documents, from 2004 to 2008, Lambert failed to report nearly \$1 million in cash income derived from her businesses which were operating under the name Colonial Room Motel and Restaurant. In addition to her prison sentence, Lambert was also ordered to pay restitution to the Internal Revenue Service in the amount of \$256,092.51. Lambert was additionally ordered to pay a \$10,000 fine.

Lambert, a former member of the Logan County Board of Education, resigned that position in April 2010 following the entry of her guilty plea.

The case was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation Division. Assistant United States Attorney Susan M. Robinson handled the prosecution.

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