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**WESLEY SNIPES ORDERED TO PAY
MORE THAN \$217,000 IN PROSECUTION COSTS**

_____ Ocala, FL - U.S. District Judge Wm. Terrell Hodges has ordered Wesley Snipes to pay the U.S. government more than \$217,000 in prosecution costs. Snipes was found guilty by a jury on February 1, 2008 on three charges of failing to file income tax returns. On April 24, 2008, Judge Hodges sentenced Snipes to three years' imprisonment. Snipes remains free on bail pending his appeal.

This case was investigated by the IRS Criminal Investigation (IRS-CI). It was prosecuted by U.S. Attorney Robert E. O'Neill, Assistant United States Attorney Scot Morris, and Trial Attorney Jeffrey A. McLellan, U. S. Department of Justice Tax Division.