



The United States Attorney's Office

## Eastern District of Louisiana

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### Press Releases

#### ILLINOIS MAN SENTENCED FOR DEFRAUDING JEFFERSON PARISH SCHOOLS

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##### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**RANDALL J. VESELIK**, age 38, a resident of Naperville, Illinois, was sentenced by U. S. District Judge Kurt D. Engelhart to to six (6) months home confinement, for conspiracy to commit mail fraud, announced U. S. Attorney Jim Letten. In addition to the term of imprisonment, Judge Engelhart imposed three (3) years supervised release following the term of home confinement.

On May 17, 2006, **VESELIK** pled guilty to a charge involving defrauding the Jefferson Parish Public School System's tax deferred employee benefit plan of approximately \$4 million. The defendant and his co-conspirators did so by making many false representations including falsely creating contract documents with the Jefferson Parish School Board and then backdating those same contact documents to make it appear to justify that the transactions conducted by the defendant were authorized and disclosed to the Jefferson Parish School Board and the Jefferson Parish Public School System participants. Prior to indictment, a civil suit filed by the victim, Jefferson Parish School Board, resulted in the recovery of losses suffered to the benefit plan.

This case was investigated by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Postal Inspectors of the U. S. Postal Inspection Service.