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PENN VALLEY WOMAN CHARGED WITH FOUR COUNTS OF TAX EVASION

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that a federal grand jury in Sacramento returned an indictment charging MARION CULHANE, 62, of Penn Valley, California, with four counts of filing false income tax returns.

The indictment charges that in the federal tax returns she filed during the period of 1997-2000, allegedly CULHANE willfully and substantially under represented the amount of taxes due, and owing to her.

This case was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service-Criminal Investigation.

According to Assistant United States Attorney James P. Arguelles, who is prosecuting the case, if convicted, CULHANE faces a maximum sentence of three years in prison for each count, and up to a \$400,000 fine.

The charges in the indictment are only allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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