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**FEDERAL GRAND JURY CHARGES  
BOWLING GREEN MAN WITH TAX FRAUD**

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that a federal Grand Jury in Louisville, returned an Indictment charging **JAMES D. SCOTT**, age 67, of Bowling Green, Kentucky, with four counts of tax fraud.

The Indictment charges that on or about April 15, 1996, **Scott** knowingly filed false individual federal income tax returns and returns for his company, Scotty's Contracting & Stone Company, for the years 1995 and 1996, by deducting over \$940,000 as business expenses incurred in the construction of a new residence. The Indictment alleges further that **Scott** caused a tax loss of approximately \$350,000 to the Internal Revenue Service.

If convicted, the maximum potential penalties are 12 years imprisonment, a \$1,000,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of 3 years.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Jim Lesousky, and it was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigations.

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**Scott** is scheduled to appear for arraignment before the United States Magistrate Judge Robert Goebel on November 17, 2004, at 9:30 a.m. in U.S. District Court in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

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The indictment of a person by a Grand Jury is an accusation only and that person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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