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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**TERRE HAUTE WOMAN CHARGED
WITH INCOME TAX VIOLATIONS**

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that SAUNDRA R. HULL, 59, Terre Haute, Indiana, was indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for tax evasion and failure to file a tax return, following an investigation by the Internal Revenue Service.

The indictment alleges that Saundra R. HULL received a substantial amount of taxable income, upon which there was income tax owing to the United States. HULL allegedly evaded payment by failing to make a 2002 income tax return on or before April 15, 2003, as required by law; by failing to pay to the Internal Revenue Service said income tax at the time required by law; and by concealing her receipt and disposition of income through the following means: (1) by using a nominee escrow account for receipt of income; (2) by receiving income in artificially

structured payments; (3) by receiving income in the form of checks in amounts less than \$10,000; (4) by negotiating said checks substantially for cash; and (5) by providing false information to her tax. The indictment also alleges that during calendar year 2002, HULL did willfully fail to make an income tax return to said Internal Revenue Service.

According to Assistant United States Attorney James M. Warden, who is prosecuting the case for the government, HULL faces a maximum possible prison sentence of 5 years and a maximum possible fine of \$250,000 on the tax evasion charge. HULL faces up to one year imprisonment and a maximum possible fine of \$100,000 for the failure to file charge. An initial hearing will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Terre Haute.

The indictment is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.

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