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LAKELAND MAN SENTENCED FOR INCOME TAX EVASION

Tampa, FL – United States District Court Judge James S. Moody, Jr., on Thursday of this week, sentenced GREGORY L. GOLDEN of Lakeland, Florida, to 6 months' imprisonment, 3 months' of community confinement, to be followed by 3 years' probation. He further ordered GOLDEN to pay restitution to the Internal Revenue Service in the amount of \$35,193.19 as well as a \$5,000 fine. The Court sentenced GOLDEN after he pleaded guilty on January 10, 2003, to one count of income tax evasion for 1995.

According to court documents, GOLDEN received substantial checks from his trucking company, GOLD BAR, INC. and deposited them into personal bank accounts. Those checks, in the amount of \$261,480, represented income to GOLDEN which he did not report on his personal income tax returns for tax years 1994 and 1995.

The case was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service – Criminal Investigation Division. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Kathy J.M. Peluso of the Tampa Division.