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MAN SENTENCED FOR FILING FALSE INCOME TAX RETURNS

BALTIMORE, Maryland - Thomas M. DiBiagio, United States Attorney for the District of Maryland, announced today that Andrew Caudill, age 27, of Aberdeen, Maryland was sentenced today to 15 months incarceration for filing three false United States individual tax returns totaling \$48,492. Mr. Caudill also was ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$12,591-- the amount he actually received from the Internal Revenue Service.

According to the statement of facts presented to the court, Caudill filed a return in his own name for the 2000 tax year claiming a refund of \$12,591, which he actually received. He also filed a return in his own name claiming a return of \$19,574 and a separate return on behalf of his brother claiming a return of \$16,327 for the 2001 tax year. The Internal Revenue Service, however, uncovered the scheme before making payment on those returns.

This case was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service - Criminal Investigation and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Ari S. Casper.



Thomas M. DiBiagio United States Attorney