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**NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY** - June 9, 2008

United States Attorney Karen P. Hewitt announced that Donna Hammock was sentenced today in U.S. District Court in San Diego by the Honorable Irma E. Gonzalez to serve 5 years' probation based on Hammock's conviction for providing false statements on a Labor Organization Annual Report (Form LM-3), a misdemeanor. Hammock was the former President of National Federation of Federal Employees (NFFE) Local 2096, a union composed of civilian employees of the Department of Navy, Naval Engineering Command, Southwest Division. In addition to the full restitution Hammock paid to NFFE Local 2096, Judge Gonzalez also ordered Hammock pay a \$2,500 fine and limited Hammock's participation in labor unions for 13 years.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Luella M. Caldito, who prosecuted the case, Hammock pled guilty on February 8, 2008 to providing false statements on the Form LM-3. At that time, Hammock admitted that on September 4, 2002, she was the President of NFFE Local 2096 and was authorized by the laws of the United States to prepare and deliver the Form LM-3 to the United States Department of Labor.

Hammock further admitted that on September 4, 2002, she prepared and delivered the Form LM-3 to the Department of Labor knowing that it contained a false statement. Specifically, Hammock falsely stated on the Form LM-3 that from July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002 she received \$910 in disbursements from NFFE Local 2096. In fact, Hammock received over \$10,000 in unauthorized disbursements from the labor union. Lastly, Hammock admitted that she prepared and delivered the Form LM-3 to the Department of Labor knowing that it contained the false statement.

**DEFENDANT**

**Case Number 07CR2371-IEG**

Donna Hammock

**SUMMARY OF CHARGES**

Title 18, United States Code, Section 1018 (False Statements on Official Certificates or Writings)

**INVESTIGATING AGENCY**

United States Department of Labor