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#### ATTORNEY PLEADS GUILTY TO \$2 MILLION TAX EVASION

BOSTON, MA - A Boston attorney was convicted today in federal court of attempting to evade over \$2 million in income taxes.

United States Attorney Michael J. Sullivan and Douglas A. Bricker, Special Agent in Charge of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation, announced today that ROBERT D. EPSTEIN, 60, of 133 Oak Hill Street, Newton, pleaded guilty before U.S. District Judge William G. Young to tax evasion.

At today's plea hearing, the prosecutor told the Court that had the case proceeded to trial the Government's evidence would have proven that EPSTEIN, an attorney at the Boston law firm of McCormack & Epstein, failed to report \$5.9 million in income over the years 2000 to 2003 and attempted to evade over \$2.2 million in income taxes. The unreported income was taken from the law firm, but did not include any client funds.

Judge Young scheduled sentencing for July 24, 2007. EPSTEIN faces up to 5 years imprisonment, to be followed by 2 years of supervised release, and a \$250,000 fine.

The case was investigated by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation. It is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Linda M. Ricci in Sullivan's Economic Crimes Unit.

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