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## **U.S. POSTAL WORKER ARRESTED ON MISAPPROPRIATION OF POSTAL FUNDS CHARGES**

Andrew T. Baxter, United States Attorney for the Northern District of New York, announced today that U.S. Postal Employee RICHARD MATT appeared before the Hon. Gustave J. DiBianco yesterday in the United States District Court in Syracuse, New York, following his arrest on May 5, 2009, for a charge of Misappropriation of Postal Funds. MATT, age 47, of Parish, N.Y. is charged by complaint with taking a small amount of Postal Service money for his own use during his employment with the United States Postal Service in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1711. The investigation of MATT began in March of 2007, when Special Agents of the Office of Investigations of the Office of the Inspector General for the United States Postal Service ("USPSOIG") began monitoring records from the Carousel Center Postal Station due to recurrent shortages at that location.

If convicted of the Misappropriation of Postal Funds charge, MATT faces a term of imprisonment of up to one year and a fine of up to \$100,000. All charges pending against MATT are mere allegations and he is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

Further information regarding this case can be obtained by contacting Assistant United States Attorney Tamara Thomson at (315) 448-0672.

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