



United States Attorney's Office District of Connecticut Press Release

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SIMSBURY MAN ADMITS FILING FALSE TAX RETURNS

Nora R. Dannehy, Acting United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut, announced that BERNARD RYNECKI, JR., 57, of Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, pleaded guilty today before United States District Judge Mark R. Kravitz in New Haven to one count of making false claims for tax refunds.

According to documents filed with the Court and statements made in court, RYNECKI filed five false tax returns for tax years 2002 and 2003. The tax returns falsely claimed that RYNECKI and two of his children received income from an entity known as "Research and Measurements," had taxes withheld, and were entitled to refunds. RYNECKI also altered genuine Internal Revenue Service W-2 Forms received by one or more of his children and submitted that false information with some of the five false tax returns.

Judge Kravitz has scheduled sentencing for August 29, 2008, at which time RYNECKI faces a maximum term of imprisonment of five years and a fine of up to \$250,000. RYNECKI also must pay to the IRS back taxes and interest in the amount of \$47,265.

This case was investigated by agents of the Internal Revenue Service – Criminal Investigation Division. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Anastasia Enos King.

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