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Utah Man Faces Multiple Felony Charges of Tax Evasion and Failure to File Tax Returns

Salt Lake City, Utah – The Utah Attorney General’s office has filed felony charges against Michael Miller, based on information provided by Utah State Tax Commission’s Criminal Investigation Unit.

Miller faces five, second-degree felony counts of tax evasion, and five, third-degree felony counts of failing to file tax returns.

The years for this investigation include 2014-2018 in which Miller was employed at Stoney’s Woodworks, Inc., in Santa Clara, Utah. Utah State Tax Commission (USTC) records show that Miller had not filed Utah income tax returns since 1997, and had not filed federal returns for 2014-2018. USTC audited Miller twice for not filing income tax returns covering the years 2003-2013. USTC sent 28-collection letters to Miller, as well as filed 11 tax liens and six wage garnishments. USTC has received more than \$19-thousand through the garnishments. Miller still owes almost \$12-thousand in taxes, penalties and interest.

The charges date back to years 2014-2018 and allege Miller knowingly and intentionally failed to pay taxes on his earnings. He knew of his legal obligation to file proper tax returns because he had done so in previous years, 1994-1997.

Miller has been ordered to appear in court on October 9 on the charges.

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