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EX-VICE PRESIDENT AND CFO OF JACKSON COUNTY BANK SENTENCED FOR EMBEZZLING OVER A HALF MILLION DOLLARS

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that LOUIS C. DUNCAN, JR., 50, Seymour, Indiana, was sentenced to 24 months imprisonment yesterday by U.S. District Judge Sarah E. Barker after pleading guilty embezzling approximately $604,673 and filing a false income tax return. This case was the result of an investigation by the Internal Revenue Service and the FBI.

For the 20 years preceding July 2, 2001, Duncan was the chief financial officer and senior vice president of the Jackson County Bank at 125 South Chestnut Street in Seymour. As the chief financial officer, Duncan was responsible for financial record keeping at the bank.

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Between 1991 and July 2, 2001, Duncan embezzled from various accounts maintained by the bank by transferring the funds to his personal bank accounts he maintained at the bank. Duncan used the embezzled funds to pay for various day-to-day personal expenses.

Duncan's conviction for filing a false income tax return stemmed from his preparation and filing of his 1998 Joint United States Income Tax Return, Form 1040, when he did not report the $101,594 in funds he had embezzled from the bank during the 1998 tax year as gross income. Investigation by the Internal Revenue Service revealed that for the 1998 tax year Duncan owed an additional income tax of approximately $26,631.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Joe H. Vaughn, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Barker also imposed three years supervised release following DUNCAN's imprisonment. During the period of supervised release, DUNCAN will be under the supervision of the United States District Court. DUNCAN was ordered to make restitution in the amount of $647,424.

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