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HUBERTUS MAN CHARGED WITH THEFT AND ATTEMPTED THEFT

Criminal charges were filed against a Hubertus man, Justin C. Raff, for filing fraudulent tax returns with the Wisconsin Department of Revenue. According to the criminal complaint, Mr. Raff prepared 2010 and 2011 income tax returns with false W-2's.

The complaint alleges that Mr. Raff submitted a 2010 tax return with a W-2 from his then employer indicating that he had earned \$52,837 in wages and had state taxes withheld of \$5,743. Based on this W-2, Mr. Raff received a refund of \$2,272 from the State of Wisconsin. Mr. Raff's actual W-2 stated his wages were \$9,742.40 and stated withholding taxes were \$506.91. According to the complaint, Mr. Raff received a refund of \$2,189 more than what he was entitled to for the 2010 tax year.

The complaint further alleges that Mr. Raff submitted a 2011 tax return with a W-2 from his then employer indicating that he had earned \$55,674 in wages and had state taxes withheld of \$6,641. Mr. Raff's actual W-2 stated his wages were \$19,075.51 and withholding taxes were \$1,025.19. Mr. Raff also submitted a W-2 from an additional employer indicating that he had earned \$4,182 in wages and had state taxes withheld of \$275. Mr. Raff's actual W-2 from the additional employer stated his wages were \$6,194.00 and stated withholding taxes were \$293.63. Mr. Raff attempted to receive a refund of \$3,082 in excess of what he was entitled to for the 2011 tax year.

Mr. Raff is being prosecuted by the Washington County District Attorney's office after an investigation by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue's Criminal Investigation Section. If convicted on all counts, Mr. Raff could face up to 18 months in jail and \$20,000 in fines.

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