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Milwaukee Woman Pleads Guilty to Tax Fraud

Latoyah L. Grayson, 35, plead guilty yesterday in Milwaukee County Circuit Court to a scheme in which she attempted to embezzle over \$200,000 from the Wisconsin Department of Revenue.

According to the criminal complaint, between March 7, 2014 and June 18, 2014, Ms. Grayson submitted 28 fictitious electronic payments to the Department of Revenue that were in excess of what she actually owed in attempts to get refunds of the difference.

However, the bank account numbers that she had entered for the payments were made-up. Ms. Grayson used false account numbers for a variety of banks for a total of \$210,352.40. At times she entered fictitious "payments" as high as \$14,475.

While the Department of Revenue caught most of these fraudulent "payments" \$5,203.05 was paid out to Ms. Grayson in the scheme. During a subsequent investigation by the Department of Revenue's Fraud Unit, Ms. Grayson admitted that the accounts were fictitious and that there was never any money in them.

Ms. Grayson is scheduled to be sentenced on November 7th and faces up to 9 years in prison. Ms. Grayson was prosecuted by the State Attorney General's Office after an investigation by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue, Office of Criminal Investigation.

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