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## **Wautoma Man Charged With Tax Crimes**

A Wautoma man has been charged with three felonies and two misdemeanors in connection with filing and preparing false income tax returns.

Ronald Vallery Jr., 30, of Wautoma was charged on April 17 by the Waushara County District Attorney's Office. Vallery faces three felony counts of filing a false income tax return with the intent to evade or obtain a tax credit. He also faces two misdemeanor counts of preparation of false income tax returns.

If convicted, Vallery faces up to 19 years in prison and a \$50,000 fine.

Search warrants were conducted on Vallery's residence by special agents of the Wisconsin Department of Revenue and narcotics detectives from the Central Wisconsin Drug Task Force. The criminal complaint alleges that evidence of sales of marijuana and unreported cash income was found. The complaint alleges that Vallery did not report \$177,856 of income on his income taxes from 2013 to 2015, in order to evade paying state taxes.

The charges against Vallery are the result of an investigation and referral by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue's Office of Criminal Investigation.