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Burlington Man Charged With Felony Tax Evasion

Earlier this month, the Racine County District Attorney's office charged Theodore L. Lightfield of Burlington with three felony counts of filing a false income tax return with the intent to evade taxes or obtain a tax credit.

The [criminal complaint](#) alleges that for tax years 2014-2016, Lightfield claimed correct wages from his employer; however, he intentionally claimed more state of Wisconsin income tax withholding during those years than was actually withheld by his employer. This resulted in fraudulent refunds to Lightfield.

These charges were the result of an investigation and referral by Special Agents from the Wisconsin Department of Revenue's Office of Criminal Investigation. If convicted, Lightfield faces up to 18 years in prison, a \$30,000 fine, or both.

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