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Franklin Woman Sentenced to Prison for Embezzling Money and Filing False Tax Returns

A Franklin office manager was sentenced in Milwaukee County to a total of seven-and-a-half years in the Wisconsin State Prison System for felony charges of filing false tax returns and embezzling more than \$452,000 from her employer.

Between 2015 and 2017, Connie L. Larmon (also known as Connie L. Huggins) embezzled the money while managing a Greenfield real estate office. Larmon then failed to report the embezzled income on her 2015 and 2016 State of Wisconsin income tax returns and in doing so evaded \$20,275 in state taxes. Larmon used the stolen money to purchase tens of thousands of dollars in clothing and costume jewelry, and later claimed the embezzlement was fueled by an opioid addiction.

In November 2018, Larmon pleaded guilty to three counts: Theft by Employee, Fraudulent Use of a Credit Card, and Filing a False Tax Return. Another count of Filing a False tax Return was dismissed but considered at sentencing. Last week, a Milwaukee Court sentenced Larmon to two-and-a-half years confinement in prison followed by five years supervision by the Department of Corrections. The Court also ordered Larmon to pay \$406,000 in restitution to her former employer, and \$20,275 to the State of Wisconsin.

The case was investigated by the Greenfield Police Department and Wisconsin Department of Revenue – Office of Criminal Investigation, and prosecuted by the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office.



