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Milwaukee Woman Charged with Filing False Tax Returns and Theft

Diana M. Taylor, a Milwaukee resident, is facing three felony charges. The first two are for filing false income tax returns with the intent to evade or obtain a tax credit, and the third is for theft of moveable property.

According to the complaint, Taylor was the business manager for the Hartland - Lakeside School District from 2015 to 2018. The complaint alleges that during this time, Taylor used her Hartland - Lakeside School District issued purchase credit card to make \$33,144 in personal purchases that she was not authorized to make.

For the 2016 to 2017 tax years Taylor claimed her correct wages from Hartland - Lakeside School District. However, she failed to report the additional \$33,144 that she embezzled from Hartland - Lakeside School District, resulting in fraudulent refunds of \$2,196 from the Wisconsin Department of Revenue.

Criminal charges were filed on February 1, 2019 by the Waukesha County District Attorney's office following an investigation by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue's Office of Criminal Investigation and the Hartland police department. If convicted, Taylor could face up to 22 years in prison, a \$45,000 fine, or both.

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