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Oshkosh Man Charged with Tax Fraud and Theft of Money from 92-Year-Old Woman

Oshkosh resident Terry Culver was charged late last week in Winnebago County with five counts filing fraudulent income tax returns and one count theft over \$100,000.

The [criminal complaint](#) alleges Culver stole the money through cash payable checks endorsed to him for loans to himself and his business. He spent the money on home improvement items, a car, vehicle expenses, personal travel, taverns and gambling.

Investigators reviewed the victim's bank records and found several suspicious transactions between March 2013 and August 2018. Culver wrote \$145,700 worth of the victim's checks with a memo line reading "loan". He wrote the checks to either himself or his business, ANK Farms, according to the complaint. Culver also wrote checks for \$131,278 in checks for "items for himself or his wife" and not for the benefit of the victim, according to the complaint. Culver wrote \$113,600 in checks payable to "cash" and cashed them by endorsing the back. He withdrew \$20,075 in cash from the victim's account during the time she was in the nursing home and unable to make withdrawals. The complaint states Culver was the only other person authorized to make withdrawals, and there is no record of any of this money being paid back by Culver.

The complaint further alleges that Culver failed to report approximately \$290,000 in income for the 2013 through 2018 years and evaded \$20,896 in Wisconsin income tax.

The charges were filed as a result of a joint tax fraud and elder abuse investigation by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue and Wisconsin Department of Justice. The Department of Revenue Office of Criminal Investigation investigates individuals suspected of committing tax crimes and actively seeks criminal prosecution for tax crimes.

To report tax fraud, go to the DOR website at www.revenue.wi.gov and click the "Report tax fraud" link under Quick Links.

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