## 65-Year Old Rocky Mount Woman Sentenced To 2 Years In Prison For Federal Tax Fraud

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A Rocky Mount woman was sentenced yesterday to twenty-four (24) months imprisonment and ordered to pay \$229,000 in restitution for committing conspiracy to prepare and file false tax returns. According to court documents, Priscilla Evans, 65 years old, conspired with others to file false tax returns for the 2011 through 2016 tax years for clients of Community Tax Services LLC located in Rocky Mount, North Carolina. Evans and her co-conspirators filed tax returns that claimed false education credits, among other illegitimate items, in order to fraudulently generate clients' tax refunds. According to the IRS, the three-year scam resulted in a loss of more than \$2 million in tax dollars. On July 14, 2020, Evans pled guilty to the charge.

G. Norman Acker, III, Acting U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina, made the announcement after sentencing by United States District Judge Louise W. Flanagan. The Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigations (IRS-CI) assisted in this investigation. Assistant U.S. Attorney Ethan Ontjes is prosecuting the case.