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A Florida man was sentenced to one year and one day in prison today for criminal contempt for continuing to prepare and file tax returns with the IRS in violation of a federal court order barring him from doing so.

According to court documents and statements made in court, Guy Telfort, of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, previously owned and operated Tax Houses and Accounting Services, a Lauderdale Lakes tax preparation business. From approximately January 2015 through April 2019, Telfort and his employees prepared and filed tax returns for clients. In order to generate inflated IRS refunds for clients, some of these returns reported false items, including fictitious business income and losses and mileage

deductions. On April 24, 2019, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of

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the two-year period, Telfort prepared nearly 1,200 tax returns for clients in willful violation of the permanent injunction.

In addition to the term of imprisonment, U.S. District Judge Federico A. Moreno ordered Telfort to serve three years of supervised release and pay \$762,338.88 in restitution to the United States.

Acting Deputy Assistant Attorney General Stuart M. Goldberg of the Justice Department's Tax Division and U.S. Attorney Juan Antonio Gonzalez for the Southern District of Florida made the announcement. They thanked Trial Attorneys John Nasta Jr., Huiwen Audrey Xi and Jikky Thankachan of the Tax Division's Civil Trial Section for investigating the case.

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