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A former contract worker for the Internal Revenue Service plead guilty on Thursday to improperly accessing and stealing the private tax return and financial information of former President Donald Trump in 2019 and 2020, and then leaking that information to media outlets.

Federal prosecutors charged Charles Littlejohn last month, and with his guilty plea, now faces up to five years in prison for the crime. During a plea hearing in federal

court, Littlejohn said he shared Trump's information, along with that of many other

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properly," the judge added.

Littlejohn is scheduled to be sentenced during a January hearing. Trump attorney Alina Habba told the court that Littlejohn should serve the maximum sentence. Prosecutors noted that federal guidelines suggested he would more likely serve from eight to 14 months in prison.

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