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NEW CASTLE PHYSICIAN PLEADS GUILTY TO FAILURE TO FILE STATE TAX RETURN

(Wilmington, DE) – Patrick T. Carter, Director of Revenue announced today that a New Castle podiatrist pleaded guilty in Superior Court for willfully failing to file a State of Delaware personal income tax return.

Dr. Rodney T. Grobes, 43, pleaded guilty before NCC Judge Charles H. Toliver IV to one misdemeanor count of willfully failing to file a personal income tax return for the tax year 2004.

Grobes was originally charged in a two-count indictment in March 2008 with two counts of failing to file State of Delaware personal income tax returns.

An investigation conducted by the Delaware Division of Revenue's Criminal Investigation Unit revealed that during the years 2004 and 2005, Grobes owned and operated a New Castle-based podiatry practice in the State of Delaware and received taxable income from this business, yet failed to timely file an income tax return or pay income tax to the state in either of these years. During this period of time, Grobe's practice generated gross receipts from patient fees, insurance company receipts and Medicare payments.

Grobes was sentenced by Judge Toliver to one year in jail. The sentence was suspended and Grobes was placed on probation for one year. He was also ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$18,101.00 to the Division of Revenue for his unpaid state personal income taxes and was ordered to pay the costs of prosecution.

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