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## Tax Charges Result in Arrests

*Montgomery, Jan. 20, 2000*—Bruce Carver Boynton, 62, of 1902 LaForet Drive, Selma, Ala., was arrested Jan. 13, 2000, by the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office on four counts of willful failure to file Alabama individual income tax returns.

Boynton, a Selma attorney, failed to file Alabama individual income tax returns for tax years 1993, 1994, 1995, and 1996.

An arraignment date has not been set for Boynton.

In an unrelated case, Michael Carl Hyche, 39, of Orange Beach, Ala., will be arraigned Feb. 11, 2000, in Baldwin County Circuit Court on state income tax-related charges.

Hyche, who was vice-president of Alabama Land and Title Company, Inc., was arrested Jan. 14, 2000, after being indicted by a Baldwin County Grand Jury in November on three counts of state income tax evasion for tax years 1996, 1997, and 1998 and on one count of willful failure to file an Alabama individual income tax return for the 1995 tax year.

Willful failure to file an Alabama income tax return is a misdemeanor offense. Conviction carries a fine of not more than \$25,000 or one year's imprisonment or both, together with costs of prosecution. State income tax evasion is a felony offense. Conviction carries a fine of not more than \$100,000, in the case of an individual, or five years' imprisonment, or both.