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Severn Man Convicted of Failing to Pay Taxes on Stolen Money

BALTIMORE, MD (September 30, 2022) – Maryland Attorney General Brian E. Frosh today announced the conviction and sentencing of Thomas Dehner, 52, of Severn, for willfully filing a false Maryland State Tax Return. Anne Arundel County Circuit Court Judge Michael J. Wachs sentenced Dehner to one year of incarceration.

In 2020, Dehner, who was employed as the Chief Financial officer for Howard County-based Cola, Inc, stole \$189,498.14 from the corporation. Dehner has since pleaded guilty to the theft in Howard County Circuit Court and is awaiting sentencing. On February 17, 2021, Dehner filed a false Maryland income tax return by failing to include the stolen money. By failing to include the stolen proceeds he avoided paying taxes on that income.

The false Maryland income tax return case was investigated and prosecuted by the Fraud and Corruption Unit of the Maryland Attorney General's Office.

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