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WATERBURY RESIDENT PLEADS GUILTY TO EMBEZZLING FUNDS FROM NATIONAL GUARD

Deirdre M. Daly, Acting United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut, announced that DEREK JACKSON, 36, of Waterbury, waived his right to indictment and pleaded guilty today before Senior U.S. District Judge Alfred V. Covello in Hartford to conspiring to embezzle funds from the Connecticut Army National Guard.

According to court documents and statements made in court, JACKSON was serving in the Connecticut Army National Guard in 2004 when he began conspiring with his payroll supervisor to have supplemental, unauthorized National Guard payments transferred into his bank account. JACKSON admitted that he periodically shared a portion of the unauthorized funds with his payroll supervisor. JACKSON received a total of \$89,595.44 in unauthorized payments until January 2010, when the payroll supervisor died.

Judge Covello scheduled sentencing for February 26, 2014, at which time JACKSON faces a maximum term of imprisonment of five years.

This matter is being investigated by the Defense Criminal Investigative Service. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Henry Kopel.

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