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**Grants Man Indicted by Grand Jury on Twenty-Nine Felony Counts**

GRANTS - On September 20, 2007, the Grand Jury of the Thirteenth Judicial District in Cibola County indicted Mychael Rodriguez, of Grants, on twenty-nine felony counts. Rodriguez was indicted on one count of racketeering, eight counts of attempts to evade New Mexico gross receipts tax, eight counts of fraud, three counts of forgery, six counts of extortion, one count of larceny, one count of embezzlement, and one count of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. The charges were a result of Rodriguez's activities in connection with his home remodeling business, Precision Remodeling, between July 2004 and September 2006.

The indictment states that Rodriguez defrauded customers of Precision Remodeling, forged documents in connection with construction jobs, extorted customers of his construction business, assaulted one of his customers, and evaded New Mexico gross receipts taxes of his business. If convicted, Rodriguez faces over 70 year's possible imprisonment.

The case was a result of an investigation by the Thirteenth Judicial District Attorney's office and the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department's Tax Fraud Investigations Division, and is being prosecuted by the Thirteenth Judicial District Attorney's office in Grants.

To report suspected tax fraud against the State of New Mexico, call the Tax Fraud Hotline at 1-866-457-6789.

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