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Albuquerque Man Sentenced for Tax Evasion

A 72-year-old Albuquerque man has been ordered to pay more than \$66,000 in restitution after pleading no contest to one count of attempted tax evasion, a fourth-degree felony.

Larry Hamner also was sentenced to five years of probation and given a conditional discharge in the case. He was originally charged with 15 counts of attempted tax evasion for failing to pay gross receipts and personal income taxes for various periods between 2014 and 2017.

The maximum sentence on the original charges would have been 22 1/2 years in prison and \$75,000 in fines.

The case was investigated by the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department's Tax Fraud Investigations Division and prosecuted by the 2nd Judicial District Attorney's Office in Albuquerque.

"The staff of the Tax Fraud Investigations Division continue to ensure that people who attempt to evade taxation will be brought to justice. Fairly and consistently enforcing our tax code is important for maintaining confidence in the system," said Taxation and Revenue Secretary Stephanie Schardin Clarke.