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REALTOR PLEADS GUILTY TO TAX VIOLATIONS

HONOLULU – On October 23, 2007, Karen E. Okazaki was charged and pled guilty to four counts of failing to file her General Excise tax returns for years 2001, 2003, 2004 and 2005. Willful failure to file is a misdemeanor offense punishable by up to one year of imprisonment and a \$25,000 fine per violation.

The Honorable Judge Edwin C. Nacino granted Ms. Okazaki's request for a deferred acceptance of guilty plea with a one-year deferral. He also ordered her to pay a fine of \$8,000 and perform forty hours of community service. She is the second realtor sentenced by Judge Nacino to receive community service as a condition of their deferral. Restitution was paid in full prior to sentencing.

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