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**INDICTMENT ON REAL ESTATE AGENT IN A TAX CASE**

HONOLULU — A grand jury indictment was returned by the Maui Grand Jury on a real estate agent for multiple tax violations. Ginger Yiao was charged with five counts of failing to file her annual general excise returns for tax years 2000 to 2001 and 2003 through 2005. She was also charged with one count of attempt to evade or defeat tax, which is a class C felony punishable by a fine of not more than \$100,000, a term of imprisonment of not more than five years or probation. The evasion charge was for tax year 2003 in which Yiao claimed she was a resident of California and had no taxable income in the State of Hawaii. She was arraigned on March 24, 2008 and entered pleas of not guilty to all counts. Her trial has been set for September 8, 2008 in Maui Circuit Court.

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