

# Alabama Department of Revenue

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## Mobile County Resident Convicted on Forgery Charge

*Mobile*— A Mobile County resident who forged a fictitious state tax lien release letter was convicted of third degree forgery.

As the result of charges filed by the Alabama Department of Revenue, Sindi Ann Baugh, 49, of 6545 Creel Road, Theodore, Ala., pleaded guilty Nov. 29, 2007, before Mobile County Circuit Judge Joseph Johnston to one count of forgery in the third degree.

The forgery charge resulted from Baugh's creation of a fictitious tax lien release letter that was forwarded to the Alabama Department of Revenue in an attempt to stop collection actions from being taken against Baugh's former husband for unpaid state taxes.

Judge Johnston sentenced Baugh to one year in jail, suspended, and one year on probation. Judge Johnston also ordered Baugh to pay a \$1,000 fine, court costs, and a victim's compensation assessment to the court.

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