

# Alabama Department of Revenue

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## Tax Preparer Convicted for Preparing Fraudulent State Tax Returns

Grove Hill, Ala.—A former tax preparer pleaded guilty in Clarke County Circuit Court Nov. 30, 2004, to charges of preparing fraudulent Alabama income tax returns in efforts to acquire illegal state income tax refunds for clients.

Clarke County Circuit Judge Thomas Baxter sentenced Rosalyn Parker McDonald, 40, of Jackson, Ala., to a three-year jail term—suspended, all but nine months—and a three-year probationary period.

Judge Baxter ordered McDonald to pay a \$5,000 fine and all court costs associated with her conviction and issued an order prohibiting her from preparing any future state or federal tax returns.

“The ADOR makes a concerted effort to identify false claims for refunds,” said ADOR Commissioner Tom Surtees. “Those individuals who attempt to circumvent the law will be prosecuted.”

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