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## AG STRANGE ANNOUNCES ARREST, RESIGNATION OF MARSHALL COUNTY REVENUE COMMISSIONER

(MONTGOMERY)--Attorney General Luther Strange announced the arrest today of Marshall County Revenue Commissioner Joey Masters on a charge of violating the state ethics law. Masters subsequently submitted his resignation as Revenue Commissioner.

Masters, 51, of Albertville, was arrested this morning by a Special Agent of the Attorney General's Special Prosecutions Division and taken to the Marshall County Jail, where he was being processed for release on bond.

The arrest was made pursuant to a warrant brought by the Special Prosecutions Division of the Attorney General's Office. The warrant charges Masters with knowing use of his official position to obtain personal gain. This crime is a class A misdemeanor punishable by up to 12 months in the county jail and a fine of up to \$6,000.

This charge is a result of an investigation by Special Agents of Attorney General Luther Strange's Special Prosecutions Division. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant Attorney General Bill Lisenby of the Attorney General's Special Prosecutions Division.

No further information about the investigation or about Masters' alleged crime other than that stated in the warrant may be released at this time.

*\*A warrant is merely an accusation. The defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.*

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