



## **AG ANNOUNCES CONVICTION FOR THEFT INVOLVING EMPLOYEE OF BESSEMER NURSING HOME**

(MONTGOMERY) –Attorney General Luther Strange announced the conviction of a former Bessemer nursing home employee for stealing from the facility’s patient trust fund.

Anita Denise Miller, 50, of Adger, pleaded guilty in the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Bessemer Division, to one count of first-degree theft of property, a class B felony. Miller admitted that, while she was employed as a social worker for Oak Trace Care and Rehabilitation Center, she stole more than \$10,000 from the facility’s resident trust fund and petty cash box for her personal use. Miller was employed by the facility from April 2008 until April 2014. Management at the facility discovered the theft during an audit of the patient trust fund and reported it to authorities.

Miller was sentenced by Judge David Carpenter to two years imprisonment. The sentence was suspended and Miller was placed on three years of probation and was ordered to make restitution in the amount of \$10,774. Miller also will be barred from future employment at any facility that receives federal healthcare funds.

Attorney General Strange thanked the staff and management of Oak Trace Care and Rehabilitation for their diligence in investigating and promptly reporting the theft. Strange also thanked the staff of his Medicaid Fraud Control Unit for its successful investigation and prosecution of the case.

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