

PUBLIC INFORMATION RELEASE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

Criminal No.

PATRICIA HOWARD

An indictment was returned today by the Grand Jury for the United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia meeting at Charleston charging the above defendant with violation of federal law in connection with 18 USC 666(a)(1) Embezzlement from an organization receiving federal benefits

Pertinent information concerning the defendant is set forth below:

DEFENDANT'S NAME: Patricia Howard

AGE: 54

ADDRESS: CITY: Huntington

STATE: WV

MARRIED: EMPLOYER (If known):

INVESTIGATING AGENCY: HUD-0IG Special Agent William Foley

CHARGES: 18 USC 666(a)(1) Embezzlement from an organization receiving federal benefits

POSSIBLE PENALTY: Up to 10 years, \$250,000 fine, and 3 years SR

R. BOOTH GOODWIN II
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

PLEASE NOTE: The Fifth Amendment and applicable Federal law gives a criminal defendant a personal right of Indictment by grand jury for Federal crimes punishable by more than one year imprisonment. An Indictment is a formal, written accusation by a grand jury. An Indictment is not proof of guilt, and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless the defendant is found guilty.