Former Tax Judge Sentenced To Prison for Tax Fraud

Former Minnesota Tax Court Judge Diane Kroupa is headed to prison for tax fraud, reports ***Minnesota Lawyer***. Her husband, a self-employed lobbyist and political consultant, also received a shorter sentence.

Judge Wilhelmina M. Wright in U.S. District Court in St. Paul sentenced Kroupa to 34 months in prison and Robert Fackler to 24 months. They must pay $457,104 in joint restitution, writes reporter **Barbara L. Jones**.

Both defendants entered guilty pleas, admitting to conspiring to obstruct the IRS by claiming personal expenses as business expenses. Those expenses included vacations, Pilates classes, upkeep and renovation and utilities for their home, and more.

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