

# Fort Worth Defense Contractor Charged With Felony for Allegedly Using Cheap, Substandard Parts for U.S. Tanks

*The Dallas Morning News* reports that career Fort Worth defense contractor is in trouble for allegedly making false claims about the type of aluminum he provided under a contract for aircraft landing gear, court records show.

Ross Hyde, 63, has been charged in federal court and faces up to five years in prison, if convicted, writes the *News*' **Kevin Krause**.

Hyde's company, Vista Machining Co., has supplied the Pentagon with parts for tanks, aircraft and other military equipment, but inspectors said many of his products were cheap replacements, some illegally obtained from China, which he tried to hide from the government.

**Read the *Morning News* article.**