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## North Dakota Man Pleads Guilty to Elder Abuse Charge

**PIERRE, S.D.** – Attorney General Marty Jackley announced today that Reese Curtis Wickoren, 49, Wahpeton, N.D., has pled guilty to one count of grand theft, class 3 felony, punishable by up to 15 years in the state penitentiary and/or \$30,000 fine.

The theft charge alleges the defendant took \$107,644.40 from his elderly godparents over the course of about one year. Wickoren will be responsible for restitution in this case.

"This case highlights the importance of our legislature's support of the Attorney General's Elder Abuse Unit and the cooperative efforts with local law enforcement," said Jackley.

This case was investigated by the Brown County Sheriff's Office with the assistance of the Office of Attorney General Elder Abuse & Financial Exploitation Unit and is being prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.