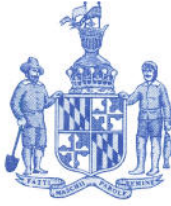


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For Immediate Release – Conviction of Myles Spires, Jr.

The Office of the State Prosecutor announced that on October 2, 2007, the Circuit Court for Prince George's County, Maryland, the Honorable Melanie Shaw Geter presiding, has convicted Myles Spires, Jr. with having committed Theft and Misconduct in Office.

Spires, age 41, is the former Mayor of Forest Heights.

Mr. Spires was convicted of stealing \$2,500 from the Town of Forest Heights by submitting a false reimbursement request for money he claimed to have paid to a private investigator who had done work for the Town. The Court found that Mr. Spires stole that \$2,500 from the Town, and that in doing so under the authority vested in him as Mayor, he had committed Misconduct In Office.

Sentencing is scheduled for November 8, 2007.