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**TRACY QUEEN CONVICTED OF FELONY THEFT FOR
FRADULENTLY BILLING THE BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC
SCHOOL SYSTEM MORE THAN \$150,000.00 IN TUTORING
SERVICES NEVER PROVIDED TO STUDENTS**

The State Prosecutor, Emmet C. Davitt, announced today that Tracy Denise Queen, 41, owner of Queen's Mobile Education, was convicted of Felony Theft in the Circuit Court for Baltimore County for stealing over \$150,000.00 from the Baltimore City Public Schools.

Prosecutors told the court that, between November of 2006 and November of 2009, Ms. Queen submitted falsified and fraudulent documentation to the Baltimore City School system to support invoices for payment for tutoring hours her company contracted to provide, but never did. Prosecutors explained that 250 Baltimore City students were cheated out of a total of nearly 4,000 hours of tutoring by Ms. Queen over the course of 3 years. Queen then billed and was paid \$150,752.00 for these tutoring hours that were never performed. Queen's Mobile Education was operated out of the defendant's Reisterstown home in Baltimore County.

The maximum sentence that Queen could receive is fifteen (15) years' imprisonment and a \$15,000 fine or both. The Honorable John Grason Turnbull scheduled sentencing for June 9, 2011.

"A theft of this amount of money from the Baltimore City School system is, in itself, outrageous," Davitt stated. "Even more egregious, however, is the fact that over 250 city students, specifically identified as entitled to tutoring assistance, were deprived of these services by Ms. Queen's fraudulent scheme"