



## News Release

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### **Life Link III CEO Facing Felony Tax Charges**

**Saint Paul** – The Minnesota Department of Revenue announced today that the Hennepin County Attorney’s Office charged Richard McComb, 64, of Minneapolis, with six felony tax crimes.

McComb, CEO of Critical Care Services, Inc., also known as Life Link III, is charged with three counts of willful failure to file income tax returns and three counts of willful failure to pay income taxes for tax years 2007 through 2009.

According to the complaint, McComb has failed to file tax returns for the state since 2002. He was not paid as an employee at Life Link III but instead was paid through his consulting firm, Advances in Medicine Services, Inc. There is allegedly no registration for an organization by this name in Minnesota or Florida.

The complaint states that McComb claimed residency in Florida but, according to a company employee, McComb was present on a daily basis at the Life Link office for at least ten and a half months per year.

The complaint also states Life Link documents indicate he was paid \$110,000 in 2007, \$224,000 in 2008 and \$268,000 in 2009. McComb’s federal tax returns show he claimed income of \$47,000 in 2007, \$40,000 in 2008 and \$41,000 in 2009.

Based on income he reported in tax returns, McComb owes an estimated \$10,900 in delinquent taxes, penalty and interest; but he may owe significantly more.

Each felony is punishable by up to five years in prison, up to a \$10,000 fine, or both.

The Minnesota Department of Revenue has a 24-hour tip line for anyone who suspects an individual or business is violating tax laws, at (651) 297-5195 or 1-800-657-3500. Tipsters may remain anonymous and can also email the department at [tax.fraud@state.mn.us](mailto:tax.fraud@state.mn.us). Last year, citizen tips resulted in 75 percent of the department’s criminal case referrals.

The Minnesota Department of Revenue is dedicated to enforcing tax laws, collecting no more and no less than taxpayers owe. It takes progressively stricter measures against taxpayers who demonstrate they will not voluntarily meet their obligations.

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