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## MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO STEALING MONEY FROM A PENSION FUND

BUFFALO, N.Y. - U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that the former manager of Managed Care Network, Inc., Stephen Dillon, 49, of Youngstown, New York, pleaded guilty before U.S. District Judge William M. Skretny, to embezzling funds from an employee pension fund. The charge carries a maximum sentence of five years in prison, a fine of \$250,000 or both.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Russell T. Ippolito, Jr., who is handling the case, stated that Dillon embezzled \$83,666.30 from the employee benefit 401(k) pension plan sponsored by Managed Care Network, a business owned by his wife Jeanne Battaglia Dillon. As the administrator of the 401(k) pension plan, the defendant was responsible for deducting employee payroll contributions on a bi-weekly basis. However, Dillon failed to forward those contributions to the plan on behalf of the employees.

The plea is the result of an investigation by the United States Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration, under the direction of Edward Maloney, Acting Director for the Boston Regional Office and the United States Department of Labor, Office of Inspector General, under the direction of Robert L. Panella, Special Agent in Charge, NY Region.

Sentencing is scheduled for November 18, 2011 at 9:00 in Buffalo, N.Y. before Judge Skretny.