

Former EPA Intern Pleads Guilty to Submitting False Timesheets

On September 4, 2008, Stephanie Jackson, of Arlington, Texas, pled guilty in U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts to 10 counts of making false statements. Jackson was previously charged in June 2008.

Jackson was employed with The Environmental Careers Organization, Inc. (ECO). ECO placed Jackson in an internship position with EPA in March 2006; however, EPA contacted ECO within 2 weeks and requested that Jackson be replaced with another intern. After she left her internship at EPA, Jackson submitted forged timesheets to ECO, which subsequently continued to pay Jackson a salary for approximately 1 year after her internship had been terminated. Her salary was paid from funds provided to ECO through an EPA grant.

Jackson is scheduled to be sentenced on December 3, 2008.

(Case Cost: \$26,124)