

State of Tennessee

Justin Wilson, State Comptroller

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FORMER TREZEVANT CITY RECORDER INVESTIGATED BY COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE PAYS \$1,400 IN RESTITUTION

The former recorder for the City of Trezevant agreed to pay more than \$1,400 to the city after being indicted for theft following an investigation by the state Comptroller's Division of Municipal Audit.

The criminal case against Loretta Adams was officially settled through an agreement that was reached through her attorney with the special prosecutor in the case.

The terms of the settlement prohibit Adams from working for any government or non-profit entities and require her to pay restitution to the City of Trezevant in the amount of \$1,427.59, plus court costs to the Carroll County Circuit Court Clerk.

In accordance with the state's pre-trial diversion statute, Adams will be eligible to have the case against her dismissed at the end of the diversionary period and her record expunged, as long as she follows the conditions in the agreement and refrains from committing any other criminal offenses over the next year.

Adams was indicted for the misappropriation by the Carroll County Grand Jury in September 2009 after an investigative audit was conducted by the Comptroller's staff.

"I'm pleased that our investigation has led to misappropriated money being returned to its rightful owners: The taxpayers of Trezevant," Comptroller Justin P. Wilson said. "I hope this case will serve as a reminder to others who work in positions of public trust that they should not abuse that trust. If they do, our auditors are committed to finding them."

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