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RANDELL GIVEN LENGTHY PRISON TERM FOR REVENUE THEFT

The man convicted of stealing more than \$11 million dollars from the Colorado Department of Revenue with help from a former girlfriend has been sentenced to a lengthy prison term today by a Denver District Court judge.

Hysear Randell (dob: 03-03-67) was sentenced to 58 years in the Department of Corrections following arguments that included segments of tape recorded jail conversations in which Randell noted that the state would have to pay the expense of his imprisonment and would bear the burden of caring for his children.

Denver Deputy District Attorney Kandace Gerdes argued for a significant prison term on behalf of the citizens of Colorado, noting the defendant has never taken responsibility for his actions and has never shown remorse.

In addition to the 58 years in prison, Randell was also ordered to pay \$11,862,398.39 in restitution.

Co-defendant Michelle Cawthra was sentenced earlier to 24 years in prison; Randell's wife Trudy is currently on probation.

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