

A former co-owner of a Barren County mental health treatment center has been indicted on charges involving theft and fraud.

On January 31 of this year, the Barren County grand jury indicted 36 year old Jeremy Catron, on charges of THEFT BY UNLAWFUL TAKING OVER \$10,000 and DEVISING OR ENGAGING IN A SCHEME TO DEFRAUD THE KENTUCKY MEDICAID PROGRAM. This case was investigated by General Conway's Medicaid Fraud and Abuse Control Unit and the Cabinet for Health and Family Services' Office of the Inspector General. It will be prosecuted by the Office of the Attorney General in Barren County Circuit Court.

Catron is the former co-owner of Alliance Counseling Associates. The indictment alleges that Catron billed the Kentucky Medicaid program for therapy services that he did not perform, resulting in a loss to the Medicaid program of more than \$10,000.

Catron was arraigned yesterday (Monday 2-17-14) morning in Barren County Circuit Court and pleaded not guilty. A pretrial hearing was set for April 28.

An indictment is merely an accusation and any defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty