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Real Estate Fraud Case Against Lisa Roberts-Allen Ends With Conviction and Active Prison Sentence

RALEIGH – Following a multi-year investigation by notary law enforcement agents with the North Carolina Secretary of State's Office, a Buncombe County Superior Court Judge today sentenced Lisa Roberts-Allen, 64, to a minimum of 75 months with a maximum of 102 months in prison for her role in a real estate fraud case.

A jury found Roberts-Allen guilty of six counts of forging a deed – a Class H Felony. She was also convicted of two Class C Felonies for Obtaining Property by False Pretenses of a value of more than $100,000. In addition to the sentence, Special Superior Court Judge Steve Warren ordered restitution of $55,000.

"Ms. Roberts-Allen portrayed herself as a housing advocate seeking to help those in need while in actuality helping herself to the generational wealth of vulnerable families," said NC Secretary of State Elaine F. Marshall following today's conviction and sentencing. Secretary Marshall added, "I am gratified to see justice delivered in the second trial of the three individuals who were charged in this case."

The first suspect to stand trial in this case, attorney Robert P. Tucker II, was sentenced in February to a minimum of 48 months and a maximum of 70 months in prison for his role in this case. A second attorney, Ilesanmi Adaramola, is awaiting trial on notary fraud and forgery charges related to this case.

The NC Secretary of State's Office served as Special Prosecutors at the request of the Buncombe County District Attorney's Office.

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