## EMPLOYEE PLEADS GUILTY AND SENTENCED FOR FRAUDULENT RECEIPT OF PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT RELATED FUNDS

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A train director based in Chicago, Illinois, pleaded guilty on January 27, 2025, in Marion Superior Court, Indiana, to felony theft. The same day, the employee was sentenced to a 545-day suspended sentence and 545 days of probation. The employee was ordered to take an anti-theft class and pay restitution in the amount of \$8,978 to the Indiana Department of Workforce Development. Our investigation found that the employee fraudulently applied for and received pandemic unemployment related funds to which she was not entitled.