

Thank you.

And now in other news, we understand that what may appear to be a gift may actually be a bribe.

We go now to MarkCi, a BLM reporter.

MarkCi?

That's right, Ed.

Mike Peters worked for NASA as a senior analyst.

His job required that he evaluate and recommend financial software.

He recommended the purchase of P. software but he never disclosed that peace was paying for them under the table.

He worked for peace while simultaneously having employment with NASA.

Let me tell you how he did it.

He disguised his payments on the 278 so that the financial reviewer would not detect that he was receiving compensation from peace.

And he failed to get approval to engage an outside

employment with peace.

He was charged with bribery, conflict of interest, and making false statements on his 278.

He was sentenced to two years probation.

He had to pay a fine over \$25,000, and perform 500 hours of community service.

All of that for accepting money under the table and falsifying his financial disclosure report form.

Employees sometimes fail to realize that lying on the financial disclosure report form can be problematic because the OIG will always find them out.

Under the anti-bribery statute, employees should not accept anything of value from anyone in return for doing their job, unless it's the federal government.

Back to you, Ed and Donna in the studio.

Thanks again, MarkCi.

Bribery is certainly no laughing matter.