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De Queen woman pleads not guilty to Social Security fraud

By Lynn LaRowe
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A De Queen, Ark., woman accused of bilking the government of nearly $200,000 in disability benefits to which she wasn't entitled entered a not guilty plea in federal court Monday.

Alice Faye Arnold, 62, appeared before U.S. Magistrate Judge Barry Bryant for arraignment on a charge of concealing a material fact to obtain Social Security Administration benefits. Arnold entered a not guilty plea with the help of Texarkana lawyer Steve Harrelson.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Jonathan Ross is handling the case for the government.

According to Arnold's indictment, she concealed her employment and other gainful financial activities from the government from November 2004 to October 2012. During that time period, Arnold allegedly pocketed $191,174.10 in disability benefits she wasn't entitled to receive.

Bryant released Arnold on a $5,000 unsecured bond and ordered her to surrender her passport. Federal probation officials will supervise Arnold while her case proceeds.

Arnold's case is scheduled for jury selection before U.S. District Judge Susan Hickey on April 12.

If convicted, Arnold faces up to five years in federal prison, a fine of up to $250,000 or both. She could also be ordered to pay restitution to the government for the benefits she is accused of wrongfully collecting.

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of the lead, Debbie es; baritone, Shelly

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Pryor to host bimonthly radio show

U.S. Sen. Mark Pryor, D-Ark., will launch a bimonthly radio show, "Pryor-Side Chats," to stay connected with Arkansas residents.

The first installment of Pryor's radio show, which will be released Friday, features Andrew Grobmyer of the Agricultural Council of Arkansas.

Topics will include Pryor's recent appointment as chairman of the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee,