



Politicians Arrested for Using Inmate Labor

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The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation arrested the Mayor of Vonore and the Democratic Party Chairman for Monroe County after a two-month long TBI investigation.

Charles Kenneth Miller, 69, and Mayor Larry Summey, 64, were both indicted on one count of using inmate labor for private purposes.

TBI began its investigation into allegations of misuse after the 10th Judicial District Attorney General requested the case be opened in July 2010. TBI investigators say that in March of 2010, Vonore city employees and inmates from the Monroe County Jail performed

landscaping work at the residence of Cora Miller, 305 Hall Street, Vonore, Tenn. Cora Miller is the mother-in-law of Summey and Miller's mother. Summey ordered the work done and Miller gave directions to the workers as to which trees were to be cut and chipped.

Both were booked into the Monroe County Jail today and released on a recognizance bond.

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