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BINGHAMTON — A Broome County jury on Friday handed up a 47-count indictment against a local masonry contractor, the Broome County District Attorney's Office said.

Charles Zimmer Jr., 63, of Waverly, was indicted on one felony count of third-degree grand larceny; two felony counts of first-degree scheme to defraud; 38 felony counts of first-degree offering a false instrument for filing; five counts of failure to file payroll records under the Labor Law; and one count of failure to pay prevailing wages under the Labor Law, the DA's Office said.

The indictment alleges that Zimmer, while doing business as McCall Masonry and/or Brandy Masonry in 2007 through 2008, failed to file certified payroll records and/or filed certified payroll records containing false information with the state Department of Labor as required under public works contracts in Broome, Tioga, Schuyler and Cayuga counties, the DA's Office said.

Zimmer also failed to pay prevailing wages as required under the public works contracts he held in Broome County, thereby illegally converting public money held in trust by him for payment of wages for those projects, the DA's Office said.

—Nancy Dooling

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