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Woman Sentenced to 6 Years in Theft from Elderly Client

Carol Klimmer was sentenced to the maximum six years in prison Thursday for stealing money from an elderly client who came to her for help with his taxes.

Klimmer (DOB 04/11/45) took \$100,000 from an 81-year-old Broomfield man in 2014, claiming that she would invest it in a one-year nontaxable account, but after multiple attempts by him and his attorney to get his money back over several years, he only received \$6,000. At the time she was working as a self-employed bookkeeper and accountant, preparing tax returns as part of her business.

The victim said that Klimmer's actions "ruined us. We had to take out a mortgage on our house just to get by." He said that he and his wife planned a comfortable retirement but could no longer afford to maintain their home and had difficulty paying medical bills.

She pleaded guilty in May to one count of securities fraud and was sentenced six years in community corrections. She was ordered to obtain employment and begin paying back more than \$150,000 in restitution. Her community corrections sentence was terminated because she failed to meet a number of conditions of her community corrections sentence, including failing to pay restitution.

Broomfield District Court Judge Michael Goodbee sentenced her to six years in prison followed by 5 years of parole.

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