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IRS INVESTIGATES PROMINENT SAN DIEGO LASER EYE SURGEON

The IRS has seized tax records from Dr. Glenn Kawesch, surgical director of the Laser and RK Eye Centers in San Diego. The tax-collecting agency served search warrants to Kawesch at his La Jolla office and Rancho Santa Fe home.

Special agents with the IRS' Criminal Investigation Division seized an unspecified number of documents from Kawesch's properties, said Special Agent Tami Stine. "There are a multitude of records to go through and analyze," she said. "If warranted, the next step in any criminal investigation is criminal charges."

Government investigations of San Diego laser eye surgeons have become commonplace. Last September, a federal grand jury in Los Angeles indicted Dr. Antoine Garabet, founder of the Laser Eye Center, on 22 counts of Medicare fraud.

The IRS would not comment on whether the Kawesch investigation centered on his personal or business assets, but the agency did acknowledge that searching his home indicates an inquiry into his personal finances.

NBA REFEREE TO SERVE FIVE MONTHS FOR TAX EVASION

National basketball Association referee Kenneth B. Mauer, of Afton, Minn., was sentenced to five months in prison, five months of home detention and three years of supervised release. He also was ordered to pay \$7,825 to cover the cost of his prosecution, perform 800 hours of community service and cooperate with the IRS in the resolution of his tax liability.

In November 2000, Mauer was convicted of tax evasion for