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RE: THE OWNER OF A CAPE TOWN BASED TRAVEL AGENCY FOUND GUILTY OF SEVEN COUNTS OF THEFT

The Pretoria Specialised Commercial Crimes Court found a 50 year-old woman from Cape Town, Crescenda Meyer, guilty of seven counts of theft.

Meyer operated a travel agency, Style Breakaway Travel, in Cape Town. In 2018, seven female complainants, from Gauteng, and their husbands requested Style Breakaway Travel Services to manage their group travel arrangements to Zanzibar. Meyer provided the group with itineraries and invoices, and the group made payments separately. Meyer took the money and borrowed it to her boyfriend.

On arrival at the airport for departure, the group discovered their bookings were not made. The group reported the matter to the police and Meyer was arrested in Cape Town in June 2019.

Meyer pleaded guilty to charges of theft. The prosecutor, Adv Patrick Tinyiko Nkuna, said he is happy with the conviction, as this will restore public confidence in prosecution.

The matter was remanded to 03 December 2020 for sentencing.

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