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Santa Barbara County District Attorney Joyce E. Dudley announced the conviction of John Douglas Schlueter, the former office manager for the Santa Barbara Central Office of Alcoholics Anonymous. Mr. Schlueter plead "no contest" to one misdemeanor count of embezzling approximately \$9,000 in the form of unauthorized credit card charges and other unauthorized purchases. These unauthorized purchases included computer tablets, projectors, automobile repairs, food and gas. As part of his plea agreement, Mr. Schlueter paid \$9,000 in restitution today. He will be placed on 3 years probation and ordered to have no contact with his former employer.

In congratulating Deputy District Attorney Gary Gemberling for both securing this conviction as well as the return of \$9,000 to the Alcoholics Anonymous office, District Attorney Dudley stated, "Alcoholics Anonymous has made a significant difference in the lives of many members of our community, thus the community as a whole benefits greatly from its continued success."

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