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April 4, 2003 - United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan announced the [settlement](#) in the amount of \$492,163 for allegations of false civil claims with the Boeing Co. ("Boeing"). The settlement resulted from false claims submitted by Boeing to the government for payment. This case was investigated by the United States Army/Criminal Investigation Division and the U.S. Defense Criminal Investigative Service (DCIS).

This settlement resolves civil claims under the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3729 et seq. and theories of common law fraud, breach of contract, and unjust enrichment, for certain manufactured military aircraft parts between 1988 and 2000. The settled claims are based on false and fraudulent claims that Boeing was using certified welders who had been properly tested and certified in certain welding positions, when in fact, the welders were not certified.

This case was handled by Assistant United States Attorney Seth Weber.

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