

82-year-old opera icon Montserrat Caballé gets 6-month sentence

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The prosecution alleged that the opera legend listed Andorra as her official residence five years ago *“for the sole purpose of not paying her taxes.”*

The opera diva pleaded guilty, appearing in court via video link from her living room due to *“health reasons,”* Europa Press reported.

In 2010, the singer made around 2 million euros from concerts in Spain, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Lithuania, the Czech Republic, Russia and Ukraine, El Pais reported.

She will now be fined 254,231 euros (\$280,000), and is set to get a six-month suspended prison sentence.

Also, Caballé will be prohibited from getting any public subsidies for one and a half years.

The Spanish opera star shot to stardom after her smash hit 1987 duet with Freddy Mercury, *“Barcelona.”*

In 2012, Caballé suffered a stroke and broke her arm while on tour in Russia. She has since curbed her public appearances.
