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Defendant Sentenced to State Prison for Stealing Purse from New York State Capital Building



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that LEONARD PRICE, 49, of Albany, was sentenced to 2 to 4 years in State Prison before the Honorable Stephen Herrick in Albany County Court on December 19, 2013.

On November 12, 2013, PRICE pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Burglary in the Third Degree, a Class D Felony.

On September 16, 2013 at the New York State Capital Building, the defendant stole a purse that the victim had left behind her desk. The defendant then went and bought clothes using one of the victim's credit cards at a store a few blocks away.

The victim saw the charges on-line and immediately called the police, who went to the store and saw video surveillance of the defendant purchasing several items. As officers drove down South Pearl Street looking for the defendant, they saw him outside of a McDonalds and was found to be in possession of several of the victim's credit cards and a bag containing the items he purchased from the store.

Assistant District Attorney Jessica Blain-Lewis of the Financial Crimes Unit handled the prosecution of this case.

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