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## DNA Databank Hit Leads to Guilty Plea for Burglary



**ALBANY, NY-** District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that MARIO RIVERA, 25, of Albany, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Burglary in the Second Degree, a Class D Felony, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court this morning.

On March 29, 2012, RIVERA unlawfully entered a residence on First Street in the City of Albany by forcing open a rear window and screen. While inside, the defendant did steal various electronic devices and jewelry.

RIVERA was linked to the crime when Albany Police Department Detectives discovered blood at the First Street residence that the defendant left when he entered the residence.

RIVERA faces 5 years in State Prison followed by 3 years of Post Release Supervision when sentenced on May 10, 2013.

“Mr. Rivera may have taken property belonging to the homeowners but little did he know that he was leaving behind his calling card. I want to thank the APD for their great forensic work that lead to this defendant’s arrest,” commented DA Soares.

Assistant District Attorney Steven Sharp of the Legal Affairs Bureau is prosecuting this case.

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