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Defendant Sentenced to 1 to 3 Years in State Prison for Money Laundering



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that HOPETON LABEACH, 55, of White Plains, New York, was sentenced to 1 to 3 years before the Honorable Stephen Herrick in Albany County Court this morning.

On December 13, 2013, LEBEACH pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Money Laundering the Fourth Degree, a Class E Felony, before the Honorable Stephen Herrick in Albany County Court this morning.

An investigation by the Bethlehem Police Department revealed that the defendant contacted an 89 year old victim and told her that she won a monetary prize through the Publishers Clearing House Sweepstakes.

The defendant told the victim that in order to collect her prize she needed to send him money orders. The victim sent multiple money orders to the defendant, which totaled over \$7,900.

The defendant must also pay restitution to the victim in the amount of \$7,900 and a No Contact Order of Protection in favor of the victim was issued by Judge Herrick.

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

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