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Pine Hills Burglar Found Guilty After Jury Trial



ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that RICARDO ZAYAS-TORRES, 33, of Albany, was found guilty after a jury trial of (3) Counts of Burglary in the Second Degree, all Class C felonies, and (1) Count of Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the Third Degree, a Class D felony, late Friday evening before the Honorable Stephen Herrick in Albany County Court.

During the weekend of December 24 and 25, 2011, ZAYAS-TORRES burglarized two apartments on Western Avenue and Washington Avenue in the City of Albany. ZAYAS-TORRES took several items from the apartments, including a laptop, flat-screen television, and designer sunglasses.

Additionally, an investigation uncovered that ZAYAS-TORRES committed another burglary on January 21, 2012 at an apartment on Washington Avenue where several thousand dollars' worth of jewelry was stolen. Police executed a search warrant at his home on January 24, 2012 and recovered stolen property from each of the three burglaries.

ZAYAS-TORRES faces up to 20 years in State Prison when sentenced on December 14, 2012.

Assistant District Attorney David Gonzalez of the Street Crimes Unit of prosecuted this case.

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