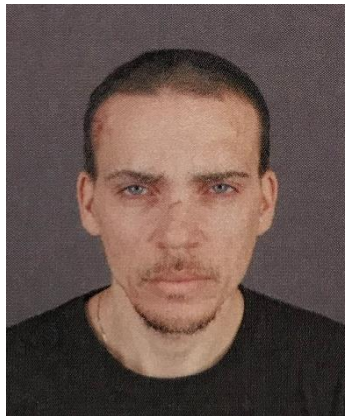




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Commercial Burglar Sentenced to State Prison



ALBANY, NY - District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that BENJAMIN RIVERA, 44, of Albany, was sentenced to 3 to 6 years in State Prison, before the Honorable William A. Carter in Albany County Court this morning.

On February 15, 2019, RIVERA pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Burglary in the Third Degree, a Class D Felony.

On October 31, 2018, at the Shop Rite Gas Station located at 651 Central Avenue in the City of Albany, RIVERA knowingly and unlawfully entered and remained inside of the building with the intent to commit a crime therein.

At the time of this incident, RIVERA was under community supervision by the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision for a 2011 felony burglary conviction.

Assistant District Attorney Joseph Brucato of the Major Crimes Unit handled the prosecution of this case.

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